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BANCKER OR BANKER FAMILIES OF AMERICA

AND IN PARTICULAR

THE DESCENDANTS OF

LAURENS MATTYSE BANCKER.

Vita enim mortuorum in memoria vivorum est posita. — *Cicero.*

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PREFACE.

The production of this work has been of the nature of a process of evolution, which the writer has found necessary to bring to an abrupt close in the interests of self-preservation. When but a boy of fifteen he became interested in inquiring about his ancestors concerning whom he was able to learn very little from his immediate relatives. This only intensified his curiosity to find out something about them. He at length happened on an old family Bible* that greatly stimulated his interest and incited him to collect the family records. For years this was a mere pastime and the material accumulated slowly with no thought of its ever being published. About 1899 he stumbled upon the Records of the Dutch Reformed Church of Sleepy Hollow near Tarrytown and to his amazement found this a perfect mine of information respecting his family. The search of various records in and about New York became fascinating and absorbed much of his leisure time. The accumulation of material grew rapidly until it became impressed upon him that it would be a misfortune if all that he had gathered should be lost as it probably would be lost forever. It was apparent that the only way to preserve it permanently would be to have it published. With the idea of publishing came the further idea of making the records as complete as possible for this purpose. At first this did not look like a large task as apparently only a few lines could be traced, and Bankers did not appear to be very numerous in the country. As the work proceeded, however, new lines were being constantly unearthed and the old lines were found to branch almost endlessly. The work grew in extent rapidly until that which was a pastime became a burden. The hours of leisure were no longer sufficient in which to do the necessary work. It demanded the time which should be given to rest and recreation. As a friend remarked the writer was like one who had taken into his home a lion's cub for a playfellow and now it had grown until it threatened to de-

*See page 159.

vour him. The only thing to be done under such circumstances is to destroy the lion. The compiler of this record has, therefore, found himself under the necessity of abruptly calling a halt, and of closing up the record with all its imperfections and incompleteness at once. With how much reluctance this decision has been made, only those who have been under the fascination of such a work can understand. It is with a feeling of the deepest regret that this record is put forth so imperfect and incomplete. Much more could be added with a little effort but time and strength are exhausted. With all its imperfections it is felt that the work should be published in order that what has been accomplished may be preserved.

Every effort has been made to render the record correct and accurate, yet it has not been possible to critically examine every source of information. Correspondents are frequently careless. The old family Bible has been stored away where it is inconvenient to get and a treacherous memory is relied on. Records are lost, and memory is the only source of information. Even original records are sometimes faulty. Where the author was in doubt he has given a choice of readings. When records of the same event from different sources are inconsistent the one which from all the circumstances seemed most probable to the writer has been placed in the text while the others have been appended in a foot-note. In one or two cases he has placed a family in a given line on circumstantial and perhaps insufficient evidence. Where that has occurred he has indicated the uncertainty.

As the work had its inception in the interest which the author felt in the history of his own family, it has resulted chiefly in tracing out the genealogy of the descendants of Laurens Bancker. In the course of such a research, however, it occurred necessarily that much material would be obtained of other families of the same name. In some cases these families were undoubtedly disconnected branches whose relationship may be established by later research, in other cases they were clearly independent families. It was at one time thought to make this treatise a history of the Banckers and Bankers of America, and such material was carefully preserved and added to at every opportunity with that ultimate purpose in view. With the abandonment of so elaborate a scheme it has seemed consistent and in some degree obligatory that this material should be in-

cluded in the present publication. It has, therefore, been classified as far as possible and is included here as Parts II and III.

The work as a whole may be regarded as a contribution to the genealogical records of the Bancker and Banker families and by no means as a complete monograph. If it shall be the means of preserving something of the family history which would otherwise have been lost the chief object of the writer will have been accomplished.

EXPLANATIONS.

Owing to the constantly branching lines of a family genealogy it is difficult to devise any system of arrangement that is simple and easily understood so that one can trace forward or back to determine collateral relationships without becoming confused. Any genealogy will require some study to use it successfully. An effort has been made to make this as simple and natural as possible and to facilitate tracing by a simple system of numbering.

The order of arrangement is the order of primogeniture. That is, in each family the eldest child and all of his descendants are placed in succession before the next eldest child and his descendants. This arrangement has the effect of bringing nearest together in any part of the book those that are most closely related.

The names of heads of families receiving special treatment are printed in small capitals. These are numbered consecutively throughout the work in the order of succession by a prefixed number in bold face. The number in parenthesis following the name is the number of the parent and is to be used in tracing the ancestral line.

In the lists of children in any family those with numbers prefixed have become the heads of families important enough to require separate treatment, and the number is the consecutive number under which they appear later in the work. Names not prefixed by a number may or may not be heads of families, but have not received separate treatment and will be found discussed immediately following the list. In these lists of children the names have been spelled just as found in the baptismal and family records. In other places the prevailing form of the name has been used.

The division into chapters has been made for convenience of reference and while more or less arbitrary an effort has been made to maintain some degree of logical arrangement. The headings of some chapters are not to be too rigidly interpreted since they may contain more or less than their titles strictly indicate; thus the Frederick Bancker family of Chapter V logically includes all of the five succeeding chapters. The arrangement of the table of contents is intended to show the true relations of the several chapters.

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INTRODUCTION.

The Banckers and Bankers of this country are chiefly descended from two Dutchmen who arrived here from Holland during the period of the Dutch control of New Netherlands, now the State of New York. They were Gerrit Bancker and Laurens Bancker. The former arrived here about 1653 or 1654 and soon after settled in Albany. The latter was here before 1673 but the time of his arrival has not been determined. He may have been born here. He was in Harlem at first but finally settled at Philipsburg, now Tarrytown.

So far as can be ascertained these two were no relation to each other whatever, and the families which have descended from them have kept wholly distinct, although for a long period they were scattered through the same region of the Hudson valley. These two men and their descendants present some rather striking contrasts. Gerrit appears to have been well educated for that time and was a very successful merchant and Indian trader, accumulating a considerable property. Laurens had no education, could not write his name at least when a young man, and was a laborer and farmer. The descendants of Gerrit were largely merchants, although many became farmers. In general they maintained a high degree of culture and social rank. Several of them attained to positions of prominence in the affairs of the Colony before and during the Revolution. For example, the first Treasurer of the State and the first Speaker of the Assembly were both from this family, while several held commissions in the Revolutionary Army. Since that period they have been less prominent in public affairs although maintaining a position of high social standing and respectability.

The descendants of Laurens may be said in some ways to have started at the bottom. The family prior to the Revolution was obscure, its members were chiefly laborers, farmers, and artisans with usually only limited opportunities for education and acquiring but little of this world's goods. In the Revolution they actually furnished more soldiers than the Gerrit Bancker

family, but none of them held rank above a corporal. They were, in fact, as often described in legal documents, yeomen, and yeoman under a semi-feudal system. With the organization of the new nation a larger opportunity opened. The farmer and the artisan entered into his inheritance, the right of an education and the accumulation of property in his own name. Even before this, evidences of some education and the accumulation of property had begun to appear in the family, but now in several different lines more or less of prosperity came and with it better advantages. To day many of this family have reached places of high social standing while a few have been brought into a considerable degree of public prominence.

Both families were, on the whole, loyal to the American cause in the Revolution. I know of no tories. Two or three connected by marriage are doubtful. All who took actual part fought on the American side, and many were vigorous and active in the cause. Some were leaders continuing steadfast and patient through the darkest days of that struggle, others labored in the trenches and behind the guns. They bled, suffered privations, imprisonment, and death in no rhetorical sense, but literally as these records show. A few of the name were deserters. I could not identify these, but do not doubt that they were members of the family. Particulars as to the circumstances of their desertion are lacking and at this distance we must be charitable in our judgment of such an act much as we may regret the occurrence. Revolutionary records demonstrate that in thousands of instances desertions were by no means evidence of either lack of courage or lack of loyalty. Washington himself on more than one occasion condoned these acts declaring that the sufferings and trials of the men were greater than human blood could endure. The story of the mutiny of the Pennsylvania Line should never be forgotten for it shows what was the real spirit of these acts of insubordination. These men driven to the last state of desperation by the awful agony of the struggle never lost sight of the great principle for which they suffered. It does not become us, therefore, to hastily condemn them while we sit in the comfortable enjoyment of that which they purchased by what was more than a blood sacrifice.

In all my researches I have not found that either family ever produced a criminal of any kind, nor have I ever known of

one of the name being under arrest on a criminal charge. This seems to be a most remarkable record. I can not venture to assert that such a thing has never occurred, but my researches have not discovered anything of the kind. I can not speak so strongly, however, of some forms of moral laxity, and each family must acknowledge that it has had its delinquents, perhaps not more than other families, yet enough to keep us humble that we be not over boastful of our family honor. I have not considered it necessary to call specific attention to these. The sins of the dead are past. This mention is made lest in our ignorance we be exalted with false pride.

The Gerrit Bancker family has not been prolific in male lines, although many of the families have been large. In the successive branches, therefore, the name has often run out or been perpetuated by a single line. On the other hand the Laurens Bancker family has almost constantly produced a majority of males and so has spread the name widely. As a result most families by the name of Banker will be found to trace to Laurens rather than to Gerrit. There are a few exceptions The name spelled Bancker is very rarely met with today and these are probably all descendants of Gerrit.

This leads us to the consideration of the

NAME.

As to the origin of the name of the family, I have found considerable interesting data, but such as rather incites curiosity than gratifies it. In the earlier records of the Colony of New York, while still under the influence of the Dutch spirit and language, the name is nearly always spelled Bancker, sometimes Banckert.

As the English language became dominant there was a gradual dropping of the c in different lines as they became anglicized, and today all the descendants of Laurens Bancker spell their name Banker. The descendants of Gerrit Bancker in part retain the c, while some have dropped it.

At the time of the Revolution we find the name on muster rolls spelled quite frequently Bonker. This was probably English spelling of a Dutch name by sound. Two or three traditions that have been related to me also indicated that the name was

formerly pronounced as though spelled Bonker, and this would accord with the Dutch pronunciation of Bancker. I have reason to believe that there are some lines of the family who now spell their name Bonker, but I have been unable to positively trace any such.

In some of the very early records of Laurens Bancker, the name is spelled Banckert, and this appears to be an older form of the name. In fact, among Holland records I have found the name spelled Bancquaert. What significance this latter spelling may have I can not say, but it certainly has a French flavor and may suggest Huguenot influence. The name of Gerrit Bancker also appears occasionally with a final t.

The earliest trace that I have found of the name in history has been in connection with a somewhat remarkable family of Dutch sea-captains, eleven of whom served in the Dutch navy during the rise of the Dutch Republic and the period of Dutch maritime supremacy. They were indeed representative "Sea-Beggars." The history of this family is of interest to us because of its relation to the origin of the name Bancker in at least one instance. The first of these sea-captains was Joos van Trappen of Middelburg in Zeeland, who died Jan. 4, 1596. He seems to have had at least two sons, both of whom became sea-captains, Michael van Trappen, "called Banckert," and Adrian Banckert. We are told that Van Trappen was properly the family name, but that the descendants of Joos added the name Banckert, and by this name they have been chiefly known. I have not been able to discover the least suggestion as to why they added the cognomen Banckert which they seem to have preferred to their original name of Van Trappen. De Jonge writes the name Banckers, but De la Rue writes it Banckert, and we are informed that in the original written signature the final letter is "as much a t as an s."

The son of Michael, a second Joos, arose to the dignity of Vice-Admiral and commanded a division of the fleet under the famous Admiral Tromp when he sailed up the English Channel with a broom at his mast's head. He died in 1647. His son, Adrian, became the most famous of the family. He became Captain in 1642, Vice-Admiral in 1665, and Lieut.-Admiral in 1666. His portrait is given by De Jonge.

The following genealogical table of these "Sea-Beggars" taken from De Jonge's, Geschiedenis van het Nederlandsche Zeewesen, will perhaps be of some interest. I give the table *verbatim et literatim.*

Joos van Trappen,
† te Middelburg, 4. Jan., 1596.

- Denkelijk Michael van Trappen, gesecht. Bankers Kapit ter zee 1587-1607 tr. 1e. Helenora Arondeus 2e. Francoise Durpion
  - Denkelijk Joos van Trappen ges. Bankers Adm'l in Brazilie † 1647 tr. Adriana Jans.
    - Adrian van Trappen, ges. Bankers, Kapt. 1642, Vice Adm. 1665, Lt.Adm. 1666 † 1684. tr. 1e Adriana Pieterse, Ita, zonder Kinderen; 2e. Agatha Anthonis van der maerse.; 3e. Johanna Constantia Cau. zonder Kinderen
      - Adriaen van Trappen, ges. Bankers de Jonge, Kapt. ter zee 1672 † 1678, tr. Cornelia Cau zonder Kinder
      - Josyna van Trappen, ges. Bankers, tr. Cornelis Danckers, schepen en Raad van Vlissingen
        - Cornelis Danckers 1667 jong overleden.
    - Joos van Trappen ges. Bankers Kapt. ter zee, tr. Maria Mangelare sneuvelt 1653
      - Joos van Trappen ges. Bankers, op. de rol geplaatst 1653. Kapt. ter zee 1673, tr. Cornelia Mangelare, geene Kinderen bekend.
    - Johan van Trappen ges. Bankers Kapt. ter zee 1653 tr. Jannetje Hannot of Annot, sneuvelt 13 Janij 1665
      - Adriana van Trappen, ges. Bankers tr. Antoine Adolphus Auber
      - Joos van Trappen ges. Bankers
  - Adriaen Banckaert Banckers Stadhouder der stad Vlissingen 1636
  - Pieter Banequart Banckers Kapt. ter zee 1635-1639
  - Gerrit Banckert
  - Francois Banckers Schipper bij Kapt. Cornelis Evertsen
- Welligt Adrian Banckers Kapit ter zee sneuvelt 1600
  - Joris Gerritsen Banckers Kapt. ter zee 1662-1665

I have found no evidence that either Laurens Bancker or Gerrit Bancker was in any way connected with this family of Dutch seamen, but I have made very little search of Holland

records.* Similarity in names suggests the possibility of some relationship for Gerrit.

The name Banker, however, is occasionally found in Germany. There is a family of the name living in Philadelphia who came from Walzhut, Baden, in Germany about sixty years ago. There is also a Gottlieb Banker in Chicago who informed me that he came from Switzerland about 1884. He was born in Winterthur, and the family had lived in the Canton of Zurich, he believed, for five or six generations. A glance at the map will show that this is in close contact with Baden, Germany, and suggests that these are two branches of a south German family. There is also another family in Chicago who hail from Berlin, Germany. In Pittsburgh, Penn., I found a Banker who was so recent an arrival from the German Fatherland as to be unable to converse with me in English. I question if the German Bankers have any connection with the Holland Banckers. The fact that Banker is evidently a German name and belongs to a German family is some reason why we who are of Dutch descent should retain the c and write our name as originally Bancker. I should regard the restoration of the c where it has been dropped for several generations as suggestive of snobbery, yet I can not feel but that its loss has been unfortunate.

In Brooklyn, N. Y., there is a John F. Banker who came from Russian Poland where, he informed me, his name was Bankerwitz, the ending *witz* being a Polish terminal like son in our English Johnson. He claimed that his family came originally from Scotland to Poland during the wars of the 17th century. Aside from this I have never heard of the name Banker as a Scotch name, nor does the name itself suggest a Scotch origin.

The "Patronymica Britannica" says of the name Bancker that it is a corrupt spelling of the name Banker. This is the only intimation I have seen that either name ever appears as the patronymic of an English family. However true the above statement may be of English families it is not true of Dutch families.

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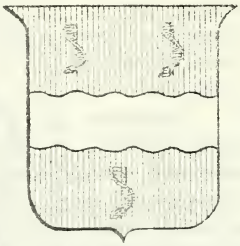
* Mr. A. A. Vorsterman van Oyen of Arnhem, Steynstrasse 17, Holland, is able to furnish considerable information concerning the Holland families of the name. I did not feel able to avail myself of his researches.

The most remarkable experience I have ever had was to find in New York City a family of Russian Jews by the name of Banker. The father, Lewis Banker, came to this country from Russia in 1871. When his children began to atrend the public schools of the city, they pronounced their name to the teacher who spelled it as easily as she could according to the sound, Banker, and they have continued to use the name so spelled ever since. Precisely what the Russian name may have been it would be difficult to tell, but by this means we have started here in America a Jewish line of Bankers.

The name Bankert occurs occasionally in this country, but I have not had an opportunity to trace any of these families or to learn the origin of their name.

FAMILY INSIGNIA.

No citizen of the United States has any right that could be recognized either by the laws of this country or of Europe to bear coat armor of any kind whether by assumption or inheritance; nor is the use of heraldic insignia as indicative of family rank consistent with American principles. Nevertheless, as pertaining to the history of one's ancestry under different social conditions, the question as to what armorial devices they may have borne is a proper subject of enquiry and rightfully belongs to a family history. To an American family coat armor has much the character of a rare antique; it is of little or no use, often difficult to prove and taken largely on faith, but ornamental and gratifying to the possessor.

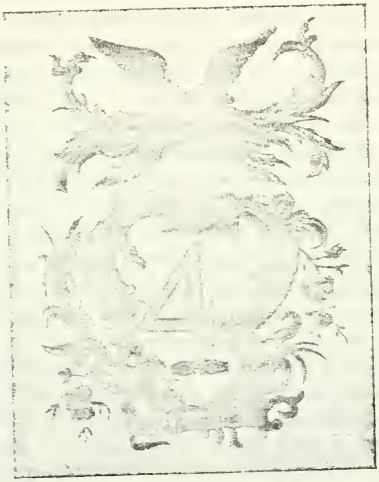


Banckert Arms according to Rietstap

My researches as to the coats of arms which may have been borne by Banckers have not been extended very far and have not resulted in much information. The only coat of arms that I know of attributed to this name is described by Rietstap as follows: "De gules a la fasce ondee d'argent accompagne de trois escalier a vis d'or." The charge is a rather unique design in

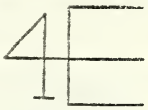
heraldry which more commonly figures animals or plants. Its significance can only be surmised, but it suggests the purpose of attainment. No motto is given with the arms, but an appropriate one would seem to be "Climbing up the golden stair." The arms described were borne under the name of Banckert by the family of Dutch sea-captains previously mentioned whose ancestral name was van Trappen. I have not been able to connect any of our American families with this distinguished line.

In the Gerrit Bancker family there have appeared in use certain heraldic designs which have been thought by some to be coat armor. However they may have originated, these designs were used as book-plates. Six such designs have been discovered and there may have been others. Charles D. Allen in his work on "American Book Plates," page 167, describes five of these. The oldest appears to be that of Evert Bancker Jr., (No. 344) which is here reproduced. His son, Charles N. Bancker, had two book-plates, an earlier one similar in design to that of his father and a later which was an elaboration of this design into a pictorial plate. Gerard Bancker (probably brother of Evert Jr.) also had a pictorial book plate, as did likewise Abraham Bancker. I do not know what Abraham this is unless it be the surrogate of Richmond county, see page 255. All of the above are described by Allen and the last is represented on page 143 of his work. Richard Bancker (perhaps the son of Christopher, No. 304) had a much simpler design than any of these, being somewhat similar to that of Evert here shown, but without a motto.



Book Plate of Evert Bancker, Jr.

While these book-plates differ more or less from each other in almost every feature there is one character that remains common to them all. This is a conspicuous figure 4 as the center of the design. Its significance is not positively known. On account of the heraldic character of these designs some have supposed them to represent a coat of arms. It has been claimed that the 4 stands for "four ships taken from the enemy." I have not found the slightest evidence in support of this claim, and it involves several assumptions for which there appears to be little foundation. No such character is known in heraldry and it seems improbable that the design originated from coat armor. It has been suggested that it was a business trade-mark. As these men were all prominent merchants there may be something in this, but I have found no direct evidence in support of the suggestion. The fact that the men who thus emphasized this character in common were often only first and sometimes second cousins would indicate that it had originated at least one or two generations earlier. In this connection it may be observed that when Elizabeth, wife of Gerrit Bancker, was about to visit Holland in 1668 she was given power of attorney by her mother, Maritje Damiens, to receive from S. H. Sybingh of Amsterdam a certain instrument intrusted to his keeping several years before and sealed with the mark here shown. Whether this has any connection with the 4 appearing in the Bancker book-plates I cannot say. In any case this figure appears to be as distinctively a family mark as though it were indeed an heraldic character registered in some European Herald's College. If there is something of mystery as to its origin and significance, it but adds to its interest as a family symbol.



Private Mark of Maretje Damiens

VITAL STATISTICS.

An attempt to compile vital statistics of the family has proved unsatisfactory on account of the very incomplete data obtained concerning many of the families. In many cases this is due to carelessness or negligence in making returns; in other cases it is due to a loss of records. At the best only a rough approximation can be hoped for, too crude to be of any value

in drawing definite conclusions. Nevertheless these tables serve to bring together many facts concerning the family, and will be found suggestive of interesting reflections. Because of the unsatisfactory character of this work no attempt is made to include more than the descendants of Laurens Bancker, and all comments and remarks must be understood as applying to this family.

Since these tables were constructed some further reports have been received which would change the actual figures to some extent but would not materially alter the relative conditions.

SIZE OF FAMILIES.

In studying the history of any family it is always a matter of some interest to know how many children there were to a family. This is also a matter of vital interest as bearing on the question of the perpetuation of the family. The following table will be found of some interest in this connection and needs little explanation. There have been included in the table only

No. of Children per Family	Single Marriage				Double Marriage			
	No. of Families	No. of Males	No. of Females	No. of Children	No. of Families	No. of Males	No. of Females	No. of Children
0	48							
1	81	43	38	81				
2	116	114	118	232	1	1	1	2
3	71	111	102	213	2	2	4	6
4	68	152	120	272	3	6	6	12
5	47	123	112	235	4	12	8	20
6	32	95	97	192	2	5	7	12
7	21	77	70	147	1	3	4	7
8	15	68	52	120	3	14	10	24
9	15	65	70	135	1	5	4	9
10	9	45	45	90				
11	3	13	20	33	1	7	4	11
12	2	10	14	24				
13								
14	1	10	4	14	1	7	7	14
15								
16	1	7	9	16	1	6	10	16
Totals	550	933	871	1804	20	68	65	133
Ave. per family		1.76	1.64	3.40		3.40	3.25	6.65

those families in which there is reason to believe their quota of children is complete. This rule excludes 97 families of recent marriage.

The families are divided into two groups: the first consisting of those families from a single marriage, and the second of families from a double marriage. One element of error effecting the "Average per family," especially for double families, has crept in. Double marriages in which one of the unions was childless have been placed in the single marriage group. This makes the "Average per family" for double marriages too high. There should also be added to the table one family of 14 children by a triple marriage, 7 boys and 7 girls.

An interesting feature in the table is the fact that the male children exceed in number the females. By comparison with the next table this appears to be a law of the family.

LONGEVITY.

The following table shows approximately the age attained by various members of the family. It is divided into two groups: the dead whose longevity is determined, and the living whose longevity is undetermined, as many of these may be expected to add many years yet to their lives. The latter part of the table is, therefore, of no value whatever as bearing on the question of the longevity of the family, but is retained because of its interest in other ways. In fact, the material bearing directly on the subject of longevity proves to be too meager to give very much satisfaction. It must be remembered that, in the first place, we are confined in our statistics to those descendants of Laurens whose names actually appear in this work,—as near as can be estimated, much less than half the total number of his posterity; second, even from these must be excluded those still living,—nearly two-thirds of the number; and, finally, of the latter more than one-third must be put one side on account of their age at death being unknown. This means that out of possibly 5,000 or more descendants we have only about 500 on whom to base any study of longevity. Yet even this meager list furnishes some interesting comparisons. It will be observed that the period of greatest mortality is under ten years. This is in accordance with the law of human mortality. It is said that

half the human race die before they are five years old. In the present case, of about 524 deaths 230, or nearly one-half, occurred before the age of ten. This item, however, should undoubtedly be larger, as in some families there was a failure to report children who died in infancy. A striking feature of this item is the remarkable equality of mortality in the sexes at this period, which is in marked contrast with the conditions that prevail later in life. Excluding this first decade, we find that the period of greatest mortality for the females is between the ages of 20 and 40 years, while the period of greatest mortality for males is past 60, even up to 90.

Ages by Decades	No. Dying each Decade				No. Living in 1905.		
	Male	Female	Total	Am. Table	Male	Female	Total
90-100	4	5	9	2.7	1	1	2
80-90	26	6	32	39.2	6	7	13
70-80	24	10	34	71.	18	17	35
60-70	28	10	38	57.	35	41	76
50-60	18	10	28	35.1	52	35	87
40-50	16	17	33	24.2	61	54	115
30-40	20	24	44	21.7	65	70	135
20-30	15	28	43	21.3	102	104	206
10-20	15	18	33	21.8	123	117	240
0-10	117	113	230		61†	61†	122†
Total	283	241	524		524	507	1031
Age unknown	183	176	359		56	58	114
By marriage	129	163	292		183	216	399
Total	595	580	1175		763	781	1544
					595	580	1175
Grand Total					1358	1361	2719

As compared with the American Experience Table of Mortality the family appears to be short lived. Especially is there a high rate of mortality at just that period when according to the American Table it ought to be lowest. This perhaps is partly, but not wholly, accounted for by the extreme mortality of women at this period. On the other hand, a considerably larger number than the Experience Table would lead us to expect reach the advanced age of 90 years, and here, curiously enough, the females lead.

* The number that would be expected to die according to the American Experience Table of Mortality.

† These numbers are undoubtedly too small. Full reports of the latest families are difficult to obtain.

This table emphasizes another fact already observed in the preceding table, that is, that the family tends to an excess of males over females. This is seen in the totals of living members as well as in those of the dead. It is also shown by the fact that more females have married into the family than males. This appears from the following figures: there have married into the family at least 691 persons; of these 292 have died, and 399 are still living; of the 292 who have died, 129 were males and 163 were females, and of the 399 living, 183 are males and 216 are females.

It may be further noted from this table that we have, as gathered in this record, a total of 2,028* direct descendants of Laurens Bancker, of whom 1,145 are still living. This is probably not half of the actual descendants of Laurens. To this number we may add the 691 mentioned above as becoming members of the family by marriage, making a total of 2,719.

A further most remarkable fact is, that of this list of nearly 3,000 persons in the family there is a difference between males and females of only 3.

DISTRIBUTION.

The distribution of the family by birth in states and countries has been as follows:

Massachusetts	7	Florida	1	Minnesota	39	Colorado	3
New Hampshire	6	Tennessee	3	Iowa	17	Utah	102
Vermont	3	Kentucky	16	Texas	5	Idaho	3
New York	1449	Ohio	67	Oklahoma	2	Washington	12
New Jersey	4	Indiana	25	Kansas	7	California	10
Pennsylvania	10	Illinois	92	Nebraska	28	Dist. of Col.	1
Maryland	5	Michigan	72	South Dakota	12	Canada	8
Virginia	2	Wisconsin	11	North Dakota	12	India	4

The migrations and distribution of the family have been chiefly along certain well defined lines, which are largely de-

* These figures will be slightly increased by returns received since this work was ready for the press.

termined by the topography of the country and the development of the means of communication. Laurens himself, arriving when the country was new and settlements were mostly confined to the narrow rim of the Atlantic Seaboard, located first at New York and later moved to what was then a frontier at Tarrytown. His descendants for the next hundred years, nearly three generations, were almost wholly confined to the county of Westchester. A few crossed the Hudson to its west bank.

With the advent of the Revolution this region became disturbed and broken up, and on the return of peace we find the family greatly scattered, and it is at this time that we lose all further trace of a number of lines. One line appears to have remained near Tarrytown, others we find in various parts of Dutchess county. By the end of the century one branch had settled in Putnam county, and many of these are still found about Peekskill and Carmel. Another branch had settled near Hyde Park and have a few members in that vicinity yet. A third tarried a while in Dutchess county but finally settled in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer county, N. Y. A few of these are still in this region. A fourth likewise lived for a time in Dutchess county, but finally made its way to the far north at Plattsburgh, Clinton county, and their descendants are to be found in large numbers still in that region. Several evidently crossed the Hudson and settled in Greene county, Delaware county, and Orange county. These latter have been more difficult to trace than the others.

A generation later, about 1820-1835, with the opening of western New York by the Erie Canal, several of the Schaghticoke family migrated to the country between Syracuse and Rochester, and their descendants are to be found in this region now. At the same time others from the lower counties, Greene, Delaware, and Putnam, also migrated to the region near Ithaca and Elmira and are still found there. A little later came the opening of the Northwest Territory, and finally Minnesota, and several of the families of Central New York pushed on into Michigan and northern Ohio. At this time the Plattsburgh hive began to swarm, and a number from this region migrated to the West. Some settled in central Ohio, others in northern Illinois, and a third lot in Minnesota, while still others made the long journey to far-away Utah. Soon after the Civil War

the Schaghticoke family sent out another colony into Minnesota and one into Kansas.

Since that time the whole country has become so settled and the means of communication so easy that the members of these families no longer remain segregated in local colonies as formerly but become diffused more or less through the mass of the population and shift about from point to point with greater facility. It is, therefore, no longer possible to trace their migrations.

OCCUPATION.

As to occupation the family has been preeminently a race of farmers, laborers, and artisans. The only coat of arms that we can lay claim to is that which was so highly honored by Abraham Lincoln, a pair of shirt sleeves, the distinctive heraldic insignia of the highest order of strictly American nobility. The man who is ashamed of this coat of arms is not a true American.

Laurens Bancker himself seems to have been at first a laborer and later in life a tenant farmer on the Philipse Manor, or possibly was attached to the household of the Lord of the Manor. His descendants of the first three or four generations appear to have been without exception men and women who earned their living by the labor of their hands. Not until after the Revolution do we find any of the family entering the professions or even becoming merchants. Of the 172 placed in the following table as unknown, circumstantial evidence indicates that undoubtedly more than one-half were farmers or farm laborers. It seems safe, therefore, to assert that of the 700 whose occupation is here listed, at least 300 have been tillers of the soil.

Of the few who have assayed a professional career, an unusually large percentage have won more than average success. While the family has produced by direct descent only eleven lawyers, there have been five who have attained at least to the position of county judge and some have become conspicuous in their profession. There have been only four of direct descent engaged exclusively in religious work; a deaconess, a missionary, and two ordained ministers, one of whom is also a missionary. The two missionaries have attained conspicuous success in their work, and one has been honored with special recognition by the

British Government for his services in India. Two of the family have entered upon the stage, of whom one has attained to the highest eminence as a popular actress and an artist in her profession.

As to the accumulation of this world's goods none of the family have become exceedingly wealthy; that is, I presume that there has not been more than one who has been worth half a million, and certainly there has never been a millionaire. A number, however, would be regarded as men of wealth in their local communities, and a very large number have been in comfortable, and even well-to-do, circumstances. In several communities they have been recognized socially as among the leading families and have exerted a positive influence on the development and character of the locality.

Occupation	No. in Direct Descent	No. by Marriage	Total	Occupation	No. in Direct Descent	No. by Marriage	Total
Farmer	129	67	196	Merchant	37	29	66
Carpenter	16	9	25	Salesman	3	4	7
Blacksmith	5	3	8	Clerk	2		2
Iron-worker	5	5	10	Accountant	7	1	8
Machinist	8	2	10	Banker	2	2	4
Mason	3		3	Insurance Agt.	2	4	6
Plumber	1	1	2	Lawyer	11	9	20
Laborer	13	9	22	Physician	7	6	13
Mechan. Eng'r.	3		3	Dentist	1		1
Locom. Eng'r.	4	2	6	Minister	2	5	7
Rail-road man	5	9	14	Deaconess	1		1
Teleg. Oper.	3		3	Missionary	1		1
Electrician	4	2	6	Teacher	9		9
Painter	6	1	7	Actors	2		2
Printer	4	6	10	Police	3	1	4
Architect	1		1	Various	25	16	41
Manufacturer	8	3	11	Unkown	78	94	172
Totals	218	119	337		193	171	364
					218	119	337
					411	290	701

In the preceding table the first column is the list of those in direct descent, both male and female, who have actually engaged in some occupation; the second column contains the list of those females whose occupation may be regarded as that of their hus-

bands. Under the item "Various" are included some thirty different occupations in which only one or two were engaged and which were difficult to classify; such as guide, tip-printer, mail-carrier, etc. These were all brought together under the one head to save room.

MILITARY SERVICE.

The patriotism of the family has been sound if not active, and perhaps in activity they compare favorably with most other families. On this point little data for comparison can be obtained. So far as can be determined none ever fought against their country, and a goodly number have been active in its service. As will be seen from the following table, most of this service has been in the ranks and not a few have bled, suffered captivity, and died.

Under "Regular Army" and "Navy" are given those whose service has been chiefly in the Philippines. There undoubtedly should be a larger number for the War of 1812. The records of this war are more difficult to collect than are those of the Revolution.

War	Officers		Privates*		Total
	Direct Descent	by Marriage	Direct Descent	by Marriage	
Colonial			7	2	9
Revolution			7	3	10
1812	1	2	1	1	5
Mexican					
Civil	4	1	21	5	31
Spanish			2	1	3
Regular Army			2		2
Navy			1		1
Totals	5	3	41	12	61

* Includes non-commissioned officers.

CHAPTER I

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munity being assembled," a force was organized under the command of Cornelis Jansen as captain. This was divided into "four companies or corporalships in order, by turns with their fellow soldiers, to keep the night watch and to go the rounds as needful, and each his arms to keep ready, provided with powder and lead as required." One of the members of this night watch, in the corporalship or company of Adolph Myer, was Laurens Matthyssen.

Whence did he come? On that question little light can be thrown. It is known that he was living in 1735. It seems very doubtful, therefore, if he was over twenty years old at the time of his appearance in Harlem in 1673. It is equally improbable that he was less than fourteen or fifteen at the time he was assigned a position in the night watch. We may assume, then, with considerable confidence that he was born sometime between 1650 and 1660. His name indicates that his father's name was Mattys, but at no time between the dates given do we find a record of the baptism of a child Laurens son of any Mattys.

Was he an immigrant? Searching the records of arrivals in the colony at this time reveals only the following rather tantalizing items: first, "Feb., 1658, in the ship Faith, Mattys Roeloffs, from Denmark, and wife and child," in this ship also came Hendrick Harmensen from Amsterdam, whose daughter Laurens afterward married; second, "Dec., 1657, in the Jan Baptist, Thys Jacobsen"; third, "Mar. 9, 1660, Matthys Princen, a soldier, from Waltneel," and, fourth, "May, 1661, in the St. Jean Baptist, Tys Barensten, from Leirdam, and wife and three children." We are left, therefore, in perplexity and doubt as to the history of Laurens prior to the 7th of November, 1673. From that date, however, the principal facts in his life can be determined, although there are some gaps that cannot be supplied.

Soon after his service on the Harlem Night Watch he seems to have cultivated the acquaintance of Jannetie Hendrickse, whom we may picture as a buxom Dutch maiden in a homespun petticoat and stomacher. She lived at Flatlands, now the south part of Brooklyn, and thither Laurens hied himself, not by trolley and elevated railroad, but by trudging sturdily over the hills and through the woods of Manhattan to what is now Peck's Slip, where he crossed the East River in a skiff, then trudged on

through the sand hills of Bruecklyn to the Flatlands beyond, where he found the object of his search. They were married probably shortly before 1681.

Jannetie, whose name is also spelled Janneken and Janneije, was a daughter of Hendrick Harmensen and Egbertie Jans. Her father came from Amsterdam in 1658 and married Egbertie, of whose ancestry I find no trace, probably soon after his arrival. He settled in Flatlands, where he seems to have accumulated some property. He died between 1674 and 1677, leaving the widow Egbertie and five children, Herman, Styntje, Jannetie, John, and Annetie. Herman married Margriet Sodder of Hempsted, and had a son Hendrick, baptized June 22, 1679, and a daughter Cornelia, baptized July 8, 1681. Styntje married Eldert Lucasse Voorhies, a farmer of Middewout (Flatbush), and had children: Lucas, bapt. Dec. 5 or 25, 1677: Hendrikje, bapt. Apr. 4, 1680; Johannes, bapt. Dec. 26, 1681: Anetje, bapt. Feb. 24, 1684. John and Annatie were minors in 1681 and nothing more is known of them.

The widow, Egbertie, soon after the death of her husband, married Jan Sneediker, a widower with at least four children. He was a shoemaker by trade and came to this country in 1642. He kept a tap-house, or tavern, in New Amsterdam until 1654, when he was sent by Governor Stuyvesant to found his new settlement at Middewout. He was one of the signers of the Patent and was the local magistrate from 1654-1664. He died in 1679, soon after his marriage to Egbertie, leaving considerable property.

As the children of both families were now grown and marrying, it became necessary to have some settlement of the conflicting interests and to provide for the care of the widow. For this reason the family assembled, Jan. 30, 1681, before the town clerk and drew up a mutual agreement of settlement, the original of which is still preserved in the Brooklyn Hall of Records. It is written in Dutch, but the following is a translation of it:

"On this the thirtieth day of the month January of the year of our Lord Jesus Christ anno 1681, in the 34th year of His Majesty's reign, appeared before me, Dirck Storm, clerk, in the town Midwout, in their own persons the worthy Egbertje Janze, at present widow of Jan Sneediker deceased, on the one side, and Peter Comelize empowered by Anna, daughter of Jan Snediker deceased, and Peter Comelize, husband and guardian

of Jannitie Sneediker, and Geridt Sneediker and Peter Cornelize aforesaid empowered by Styntje Sneediker, all sisters and brothers and surviving children by will of Jan Sneediker aforesaid; as also therebesides the present children of the aforesaid Egbertje Janze, by name Herman Hendricks and Eldert Luijcasse, at present husband and guardian Stijntje Hendrickze, and Louwreijns Matijss, husband and guardian of Janitje Hendrickze, and Coort Steffense and Willem Huijen, guardian and tutor over Jan Hendrickze and Annitje Hendrickze, who together have found it good and agreed in friendly manner for the best interests of the said widow and also for the best interests of all the aforesaid, agreeing herein upon the following condition, (the which the right of inheritance shall appear upon the death of the aforesaid widow).

Firstly, to wit, the lot of land and valleys with all that is ground and nail-fast on or in the same, just as it was owned by the aforesaid Jan Sneediker deceased and as it is owned by the present widow aforesaid up to this time, together with all such rights and privileges as depend on and to the same or may afterwards accrue from declarations of the deed thereof, the aforesaid Geridt Sneediker shall take possession of next month of August, anno 1682, to till and to use just as shall please his mind, forever and in perpetuity, with also such horses, to wit three horses, two geldens and an old mare, with an old wagon, with further the old hay and iron-work which in all belongs to the same. For this aforesaid parcel the said Geridt Sneediker promises to make and keep in repair a house, with the garden and the enjoyment of the fruit trees, and also to furnish yearly two hundred and fifty guldens, with also the pasturage for two cows and their winter's fodder in behalf of the aforesaid Egbertie Janze, during her life time; but if the said widow is inclined to keep no cows, Geridt Sneediker shall be bound to pay for this pasturage and fodder aforsesaid to the said widow.

Item. Since the human race is subject to death and nothing is more uncertain than the hour of the same, it is stipulated and confirmed by these presents that the said Geridt Sneediker shall pay also the sum of seven thousand guldens in four successively following years, the first payment beginning a year after date of the decease of the aforesaid widow of Jan Sneediker deceased: to wit, a rightful fourth part of the aforesaid seven thousand guldens, amounting each year or installment to seventeen hundred and fifty guldens, and the same to be paid in good marketable winter wheat or rye or pease market price, seawant value, and the same to be delivered at the ferry; to wit the year two hundred and fifty guldens for and to satisfaction of the said widow and the said seven thousand guldens to be paid them at the said time and to be delivered to and in behalf of the afore-

said children, in right manner and share as was announced by the last testament and final will made by the aforesaid Jan Sneediker deceased, provided he receives by the last payment good transport and deed from all the aforesaid parties herein.

Item. In case the said Geridt Sneediker, herein conditioned, may remain in arrears of payment of the aforesaid yearly sum in behalf of the said widow and again on account of the principal sum of seven thousand guldens, except his own share by declaration of the said testament and final will, the said lands shall be and remain for full security and pledge.

Thus done and executed, all without deceit or guile; in token of the truth, to fulfill what is written above, this is signed by the same with their own hands, on this day, month and year as above in presence of the undersigned credible witnesses hereunto invited.

Coert Stevenson.	This is the Egbertie ( ) mark of Janze, widow.	
Wijellem Hevoken.	Gerret Snedeker.	
Testis:	This is the Peter ⊔ mark of Comelize.	
Willem Gerretsen.	This is the Eldert *E E* mark of Luijcazen.	
Dirck Stoffels.	This is the Lowrens mark of Mathijzen.	

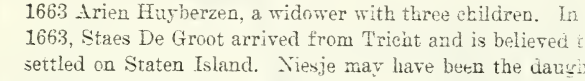
Dirck Storm, Clerk.

All of Geridt Sneediker's interest in the above settlement was later conveyed by him to Peter Comelize who seems to have taken possession of the farm.

In 1682 Egbertie as widow of Hendrijck Herremensen made conveyance of a house, lot, orchard, &c. It would seem, therefore, that for those early days she was left in comfortable circumstances. Nothing further is known of her.

After the above settlement of the Sneediker-Hermanse affairs, Laurens and his wife Jannetie appear to have left Flatbush and for the next twenty years their whereabouts are a little uncertain. Whether they went back to Harlem, or settled in New York, or found a location somewhere else it is difficult to determine. As his eldest children were baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church in New York it would seem that he must have lived in its vicinity. About the close of the century, however, there occurred a series of important changes in his affairs. The exact date of these events can not be fixed, but they evidently all

occurred about the same time and may have been related. They were the death of his wife, his second marriage, his removal to Philipsburg Manor, and the assumption of the patronymic by which in a modified form his descendants have since been known.



Signature of Louwrens Mathyzen.

Jannetie died about 1701 and he married, before 1704, Niesje De Groot. Her ancestry has not been determined. Only two immigrants of the name are known to have come before this time. William Pietersen De Groot, wife, and five children came over in April, 1662. He died within a year and his wife, Tystje Willem, having four minor children, appears to have married in 1663 Arien Huyberzen, a widower with three children. In April, 1663, Staes De Groot arrived from Tricht and is believed to have settled on Staten Island. Niesje may have been the daughter or grand-daughter of one of these.

About the same time Laurens seems to have settled on Philipsburg Manor. This was part of the estate of Frederick Philipse, one of the most conspicuous figures in the early history of New Netherlands and also afterward when it became New York. Philipse was a member of the governor's council for more than twenty years. He was of noble birth but came to the colony poor and without friends. He worked at the carpenter trade and helped to build the original Dutch Reformed Church in New York. He acquired considerable wealth by industry, trading and financially successful marriages. By grants from the government and purchases from the Indians he obtained possession of all the territory on the east shore of the Hudson between Spuyten Duyvil and Croton River comprising nearly four hundred square miles. This tract was afterward by royal charter erected into the Manor of Philipsborough or Philipsburgh. The manor house was a strong stone fortification, known as Castle Philipse, and stood near the banks of the Hudson at the mouth of the Pocantico or Sleepy Hollow brook. This building, since somewhat modified into a more elaborate mansion, is still standing on the original site, a mile or so north of Tarrytown. It was in this vicinity that Laurens now settled.

Old Sleepy Hollow Dutch Church—Built 1699.

In 1699 Philipse erected near his manor house a substantial stone church which is now the oldest church building in New York state. It stands at the east side of the road from Tarrytown and just north of the Pocantico. It faces the road and the west. Behind and to the north of the church lies the old graveyard filled with the ancient brown sand-stone grave-markers now crumbling to pieces. Continuous with this grave-yard farther north extends the more modern Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. It was from the records of this ancient church that I was able to recover the great bulk of the history of Laurens Bancker and his immediate descendants. Laurens became one of the first members of this Sleepy Hollow Dutch Church, and his name appears in what may be called the list of the charter members of this old church as Louwrens Mattyse Banckert, the last name appearing now for the first time.

Laurens and his wife Niesje were both living at Sleepy Hollow as late as 1735, where they seem to have lived the quiet life typical of that famous spot, and which has perhaps cast the spell of its influence more or less over all their posterity. The wife at least occasionally visited the great metropolis but beyond that nothing is known of their doings, nor has it been possible to determine the date of death of either. The family maintained itself in this vicinity for nearly a hundred years, or until the whole region was broken up by the Revolution. Numerous at that time, they have since then utterly disappeared from the region. Today it is scarcely possible to find a resident of the place who has ever heard of one of the name living there.

There would seem to have been some special bond of attachment between Laurens and the Philipse family since we find that many of his children are named for members of that family; as Adolph, Frederick, Rombout, Catharine; while frequently the lady Catharina Philipse stands sponsor at their baptisms both at Sleepy Hollow and in New York.

The children of Laurens by his first wife were:

2. Anneken, bp. Mar. 28, 1686;
5. Hendrick, bp. Apr. 1, 1688;
15. Maria, bp. Mar. 25, 1691;
Rombout, bp. May 17, 1696; died young;
24. Fredrik, bp. May 22, 1698;
125. Adolf, bp. 1701.

By his second wife, Niesje De Groot, he had:

Rombout, bp. Nov. 5, 1704;
Barber, bp. June 16, 1707;
Johannis, bp. Mar. 21, 1711;
Catharina;
213. Jacob.

Nothing further is known of Barbara. She probably died young. All the children of the first wife except Adolph were baptized in New York. Adolph's baptism is entered on the Sleepy Hollow records but from the omission of the month and day appears as though it might have been entered sometime after the event. The first child of the second wife was baptized in New York, the next two at Sleepy Hollow. Catharina was the daughter of Niesje; Jacob may have been a son of Jannetie but see page 225 for discussion.

Rombout was baptized in New York and was the only one of Niesje's children that was baptized there. He married, Aug. 5, 1727, Maritje Davidson who was baptized Mar. 10, 1704, a daughter of David Davidson and Jannitje———. He had at least four children as follows:—Louwrens, bp. Apr. 27, 1728; David, bp. Apr. 11, 1730; Barbara, bp. June 15, 1737; Abraham, bp. June 16, 1744. All trace of Rombout's descendants was lost beyond these children, except possibly Lawrence.*

Johannis was baptized at Sleepy Hollow and married, Aug. 10, 1734, Catharina Davids, possibly a sister of Maritje who married his brother Rombout. He had at least two children; Niesje, bp. Apr. 1, 1735, and Myno, bp. May 1, 1748. Niesje married at Philipsburg, Dec. 4, 1756, Jakobus Kennif who was baptized Apr. 24, 1731, a son of Jeremias Kennif or Cennif and Annatie De Rivier. The family was traced no further. Myno, or Willemeyntie, married, June 1, 1767, Jacob Timber† from Tappan. They settled in Tappan where they had at least two children; Johannis born Nov. 13, 1770, and Cathrina, born Nov. 18, 1772. These were traced no further.

Catharina was the daughter of Niesje as appears from a statement at the baptism of one of her children. The record of

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* See page 345.

† According to the Tappan records his name was Trumper. The name appears later to have been spelled Tremper.

her own baptism was not found, but she was a witness to a baptism as early as 1718. This suggests that she must have been older than Johannis at least. She married, Mar. 13, 1724*, Johannes Laurier, a widower of New York. She had at least four children: a pair of twins, Anna and Jannetje, bp. Oct. 26, 1726; then Christiaan, bp. Sept. 25, 1728; and Jannetje, bp. Aug. 11, 1731. The family was traced no further.

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* The Biog. and Geneal. Record gives the date as 1726.

CHAPTER II.

THE CRANCKHEYT FAMILY.

2. Antje Bancker (1) was baptized in the old Dutch Church of New York, Mar. 28, 1686. She married Hendrick Cranckheyt* and they lived in the vicinity of the present Tarrytown. They became members of the Sleepy Hollow Church, he by confession of faith June 18, 1717, and their children were all baptized there. Hendrick, who was himself baptized in the New York church June 21, 1682, was according to that record a son of Teunis Herck and Sophia Hendrick. Teunis was a son of Harck Siboutsen and Wyntie Teunis and married Sophia, who was from Esopus, Aug. 10, 1679.

Concerning this Cranckheyt family James Riker says, "Harck Siboutsen, who was a ship carpenter and a native of Languedoc in the south of France, married at New Amsterdam in 1642, Wyntie Teunis from Naerden. He owned property near the Heeren Gracht, adjoining Abm. Riker. In or about 1650 he removed to the Poor Bowery† where he died between 1681 and 1684. His widow survived him many years. They had sons, Sibout, Teunis, John, and Jacobus. The first three brothers settled in the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester Co., assumed the name of Krankheyt (now written Kronkhite or Cronkhite) and have many descendants there." This assumption of the surname is evidently in the same abrupt way that we have seen the name Banckert adopted. Hendrick and Antje had a large family as the following taken from the church records will show:

Theunis, bp. June 1, 1708;
Lowrens, bp. March 21, 1710;
3. Jenneke, bp. March 21, 1711;
Sophia, bp. March 25, 1712;
Wyntje, bp. May 25-26, 1714;

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* The name is spelled variously Kranckheyt, Krankheyt, and Crankheyt. In later days it has been corrupted into Cronkheyt, Cronkhite, and even Cronk.

† On the south shore of Bowery Bay in Long Island City.

Hendricus, bp. June 11, 1715;
Zefya, bp. April 23, 1717;
Johannis, bp. June 24, 1718;
Johannis, bp. August 31, 1720;
Maria, bp. April 24, 1722;
Annatje, bp. April 23, 1723;

4. Helena, bp. April 10, 1725.

It may be noted that the first four children were named after the four grand-parents. This was in accordance with the Dutch custom. Sophia, Wyntje, Zefya, and Annatje have been traced no further.

Theunis married, Nov. 2, 1728, Antje Van Tassel, a daughter of William and Weyntie Van Tassel. He appears to have always lived in the Manor of Philipsburg where he had children as follows: Aaltje, bapt. Apr. 1, 1735; Jacob, bapt. Apr. 23, 1737; Johannis, bapt. Apr. 10, 1739; Abraham, bapt. Oct. 20, 1741. These have been traced no further.

Lowrens married Wyntje Brouwer from the Manor of Cortlandt Apr. 7, 1744. She was the daughter of Matthys Brouwer* and Wyntje Cranckheyt* and was baptized June 13, 1724. After their marriage no further trace was found of Lowrens and Wyntje and it is probable that they soon removed from Sleepy Hollow.

Hendrick probably married Esther Daniels of Langh Reesths Oct. 10, 1741. He lived at Philipsburg where he seems to have had the following children baptized: Maria, bapt. Apr. 13, 1754; Antje, bapt. Nov. 1, 1756; Hester, bapt. Apr. 24, 1759; Jan, bapt. June 28, 1763; Rebecca, bapt. June 20, 1766. The family has been traced no further.

Johannis married, Dec. 3, 1743, Hilletje Beselie, who was baptized at Sleepy Hollow June 26, 1722, a daughter of Frank Beselie and Hilletje ———. He had at least two children as follow: Hilletje, bapt. Aug. 22, 1744, and Timotheus, bapt. Apr. 25, 1749. They have been traced no further.

Maria appears to have married either Dirk Van Thexel or Van Tassel, Sept. 25, 1742, or she may have married Jan Delie-

* Matthys Brouwer lived in the Manor of Cortlandt and he married, Mar. 19, 1719, Wyntje Cranckheyt "from Long Island." According to Riker, Jacobus, the only one of the Cranckheyt brothers who remained on Long Island, married but died without issue at the age of 70 years. Who then was Wyntje Cranckheyt?

novi from New York, Sept. 5, 1741. According to the church records there were two Maritie Cranckheyts who married as above and it is not possible to tell which is the present one. No further records of either were found.

3. JANNETIE CRANCKHEYT (2) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow, March 21, 1711, and married David Foseur, also of Philipsburg, Apr. 13, 1734. This name is so variously spelled that it becomes difficult to trace since one is often in doubt whether it can be really the same name.* David appears to have been the son of Jan and Evatje Foseur and was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Mar. 25, 1706. He and his wife appear to have lived at Philipsburg where they had ten children baptized as follows:

Jan, bp. June 25, 1734;
Hendrick, bp. Apr. 1, 1735;
Annatje, bp. Oct. 18, 1737;
Abraham, bp. Apr. 10, 1739;
Jannetje, bp. June 3, 1740;
David, bp. Sept. 25, 1742;
Jacob, bp. Nov. 10, 1744;
Eva, bp. Apr. 19, 1746;
Matheus, Teunis, } bp. May 1, 1748.

The last two were probably twins. Eva married, June 9, 1765, Thomas Feil or Teil. The family has been traced no further, but they were of a martial spirit as four of them at least enlisted in the French and Indian War, and one or more gave up his life in the cause of his country.

Hendrick when 25 years old enlisted, Mar. 21, 1759, in Capt. William Gilchrist's Company, and died in the army. He was 5 ft. 9 in. high with light hair and eyes. Abraham enlisted, Apr. 13, 1758, in Capt. John Verplanck's Company. He was 5 ft. 8 in. high with brown eyes and a dark complexion. David enlisted, Mar. 31, 1760, in Capt. Bayeux's Company. He was a cordwainer, that is a shoemaker, and was 5 ft. 7 in. high with light hair and eyes. Jacob enlisted, May 13, 1760, also in Capt. Bayeaux's Company. He was 5 ft. 5 in. high with light eyes and

* The following are some of the spellings evidently intended for this name Foseuer, Foseur, Fosuur, Foshay, Forshee, Fosser, Fosuer, Fause, Fisher, Fishshear, Foshee, Fowseer, Fushey, Fushee, &c.

brown hair. It seems probable also that Jan enlisted in this war as the name of John Fushey appears in a list of deceased soldiers of 1759.

4. HELENA CRANCKHEYT (2) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow April 10, 1725, and married Hendrick Kool Jan. 21, 1749-50. He was born at sea about 1719, but his parentage is not known. Apr. 8, 1758, he enlisted in Captain Jonathan Fowler's Company for the French and Indian War, having been a member of Captain John Underhill's militia company. He enlisted again, May 2, 1760, in Captain Gilchrist's Company. He was 5 ft. 8 in. high and had grey eyes and a light complexion. Record has been found of only two children as follows:

Hendrick, bo. Dec. 12, 1750; bp. June 4, 1751;
Johannes, bp. Oct. 24, 1758.

The older son, Hendrick, married Christina Conklin of whom nothing more is known, nor is the date of their marriage known. They had children as follows; Aaltje, bapt. Nov. 5, 1774, and Hendrick, bapt. Feb. 6, 1777. The family has been traced no further.

CHAPTER III.

THE HENDRICK BANCKER FAMILY.

5. HENDRICK BANCKER (1) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church in New York City April 1, 1688. He married, Jan. 15, 1715, Marytje De Vouw, widow of Jacob Buys, and settled in Philipsburg. The record of his marriage states that he was born there. He joined the Sleepy Hollow Church Oct. 31, 1724. His wife was a daughter of Abraham De Vouw* and Mynno de Maree and was born in 1691. She married Jacob Buys in 1709 by whom she had two children, Abraham and Jacob. The latter born Sept. 20, and baptized Oct. 14, 1713, in Tappan after the death of his father. Hendrick's children were as follows:

6. Abraham, bp. June 11, 1715;
   Jan, bp. June 24, 1718;
9. Jannetje, bp. Aug. 31, 1720;
10. Nicolaes, bp. Apr. 23, 1723;
12. Rachael, bp. Dec. 4, 1725;
13. Hendrik, bp. Apr. 11, 1730;
   Isaak, bp. Apr. 17, 1733;
14. Willemina.

Concerning Jan and Isaak no further trace has been made. It appears certain that Hendrick had a daughter Willemina, though no record of her birth or baptism has been found. Her name appears in the records usually as Myno or Meino but sometimes in full. I am also strongly of the opinion that there was a Gregorius born in 1728 and, therefore between Rachel and Hendrick.†

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* Thos. F. De Voe in his "Genealogy of the De Veaux Family" informs us that Nicholas De Vouw was a French refugee who had escaped first to Germany and then to England and finally came with his wife and children to this country in 1674. He settled first in Harlem and was one of the "Night Watch" there in 1675. He afterward moved to Bergen, N. J., and finally to Hackensack. His oldest son was Abraham who married Mynno De Maree (probably de Marest) in 1688, and first settled in Hackensack, but about 1705 removed to Philipsburg. For a more complete account of this family see De Voe's Genealogy.

† See page 351.

6. Abraham Bancker (5) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow June 11, 1715, and married, Sept. 19, 1741, Rachel Gerritse who was also born at Philipsburg. They appear to have lived at Philipsburg until after 1758 and to have moved to New York before 1760. They had children as follows:

7. Arie, bp. June 12, 1742;
Abraham, bo. Nov. 5, bp. Nov. 10, 1744;
Marie, bo. June 26, bp. July 26, 1747;

8. Rachel, bp. Oct. 25, 1749;
Rebecca, bo. Dec. 27, 1753; bp. Apr. 15, 1754;
Elizabeth, bp. Apr. 25, 1758;
Johannis, bp. Feb. 6, 1760;
Annatje, bp. Mar. 14, 1762.

No further trace was made of any of these children except Aaron and Rachel. Marie possibly married John Beekman of New York, the license being dated Mar. 2, 1769. The first six children were all baptized at Sleepy Hollow and the last two were baptized in New York.

7. Aaron Bancker (6) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Dec. 13, 1741. He evidently moved to New York with his father and became a bricklayer, being admitted as freeman of the city in 1770. He was one of the city firemen in 1776 under command of Jacobus Stoutenburgh. He married Margaret Steg of New York, Nov. 16, 1764. His children were:

Abraham, bp. Mar. 20, 1765;
Martha, bp. Sept. 21, 1766;
Rachel, bp. Oct. 23, 1768;
John, bp. Sept. 16, 1770;
Margaret, bp. Oct. 25, 1772.

None of these have been traced any further.

8. Rachel Bancker (6) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Oct. 25, 1749. She removed to New York, doubtless with her parents, and there married Jasper Stymets Mar. 24, 1767. She had at least five children as follows:

Pieter, bp. Apr. 19, 1772;
Frederick, bp. May 14, 1775;
Abraham, bo. Nov. 4, 1780; bp. Aug. 17, 1784;
John, bo. June 3, 1783; bp. Aug. 17, 1784;
Benjamin, bo. Sept. 20; bp. Nov. 6, 1785.

All of the children were baptized in New York and its being the disturbed time of the Revolution accounts for the irregularities in the baptisms. This family has been traced no further, but a Peter Stymets married Maria Thompson and had a son Jasper born Oct. 16, 1793.

9. Jannetje Bancker (5) was baptized Aug. 31, 1720, at Sleepy Hollow and married Barent Duytser in the same place Oct. 7, 1738. He was a son of Barent Duytser and Marie Kanklie, and was born in Tappan, across the Hudson, Aug. 15, 1714. His father lived in Philipsburg at least from 1697 to 1712 when he probably moved to Tappan. After their marriage Barent and Jannetje continued to reside at Philipsburg where they had the following children:

Johannis, bp. Aug. 7, 1739; died young;
Maritje, bp. June 12, 1742;
Lena, bp. Oct. 31, 1745;
Johannis, bp. Sept. 30, 1747;
Catrina, bp. Oct. 25, 1749;
Elizabeth, bp. Aug. 17, 1752;
Rebecca, bp. Oct. 26, 1754;
Isaac, bp. Sept. 6, 1757;
Jacob, bp. Oct. 28, 1759;
Rachel, bo. Mar. 20; bp. Apr. 30, 1763.

Little further is known of this family. Elizabeth appears to have married Levi Weilie, Jan. 10, 1770. A Barent Dutcher, probably our Barent above, made his will June 8, 1772, and it was admitted to probate Dec. 31, 1772. In this he mentions his daughters, Mary, Catharina, and Rachel and his son Isaac. It also appears that Mary had married Lieut. Geo. Monson and had at least one son, George, born Nov. 12, 1784. Catharina married a Barnes and possibly after 1772 married second Timothy Brooks by whom she had at least two daughters, Mary, born Mar. 7, 1785, and Hannah, born May 6, 1787. In 1766 Barent seems to have been living on Franklin or Main St., Tarrytown, N. Y.

10. Nicholas Bancker (5) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Apr. 23, 1723. He married, June 25, 1748, Magdalena Van Wormer from Catskill. They lived for a time at Philipsburg,

but about 1750 removed to New York where he became a freeman in 1751. He had at least five children as follows:

Isaac, bp. Aug. 24, 1748;
Cornelis, bp. Oct. 25, 1749;
Catharina, bp. Jan. 10, 1753;
Nicholaas, bp. June 4, 1755; died young;
11. Nicholaas, bp. June 15, 1757.

The first two were baptized at Sleepy Hollow, but the remainder in New York. It seems probable that Isaac was a shoemaker and lived in New York where he died May 25, 1790, leaving a widow, Gertrude, and several children. The widow died between 1807 and 1810 leaving a will in which she mentions her daughter, "Catharine Porter, wife of Thomas Porter," and grandsons, John Maddan and Joseph Maddan, minors. Cornelis and Catharina have not been traced any further.

11. Nicholas Banker (10) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church in New York City, June 15, 1757. He appears to have returned to Philipsburg his father's birthplace at least after the Revolution. He was a soldier in that war and held the rank of corporal. He enlisted Dec. 15, 1777, in Capt. Gabriel Requa's Company of Col. James Hammond's Regiment, 1st Westchester County Militia, and on Jan. 2, 1778, he was wounded by a musket ball in the right hip during an engagement at Storms Bridge in Greensburgh, N. Y. For this service he drew an annual pension of $96, from Sept. 1, 1826, to his death May 26, 1835. It is also stated that during the month of Nov. 1776, he was a member of Capt. Sibout Acker's Company and was stationed at Peter Van Tassel's where he was wounded in the encounter with Lieut. Althouse. He appears also to have served in Capt. Geo. Comb's Company of Col. Hammond's Regiment and was captured by the British. He received pay for his time in captivity to Aug. 8, 1779, £11, 7s. 6d. He seems to have continued service in Capt. Comb's Company until at least May 25, 1780, for which he received £25, 8s. 5d. He then served in Capt. Israel Honeywell's Company of the same regiment on several alarms from Nov. 1, 1780, to July 31, 1781, for which he received £12, 15s. 6d. He also served in the same company from Nov. 11, 1781, to Nov. 11, 1782, on sundry alarms for which he received £7, 1s. 8d. In the meantime also he served in Capt.

Daniel Martling's Company of the same regiment, probably a picked company for some special service, and was again captured by the British, receiving for his time in captivity to Jan. 12, 1782, £7, 12s. 10d.

After the war he settled in Greensburgh, Westchester Co., N. Y., now Tarrytown, where he married in 1779 or 1780 Catharine Ecker or Acker. She was the widow of a man by the name of Tuthill and had a son Abraham by her former marriage. She was baptized Apr. 24, 1759, and died in Greensburgh, Nov. 25, 1841. She was the daughter of Abraham Ecker* and Annatie Lent. After her husband's death she made application for a pension, but was unable to prove six months' service. This would indicate either that we have confounded two Nicholas Bankers in the above record of service or more probably that she was simply unable to furnish the technical proof of service, her husband having based his own claim on his wound received at Greensburgh which did not involve evidence of six months' service.

Nicholas dropped the c from his name and appears in all records as Banker. He had at least five children as follows:

Isaak, bo. Dec. 30, 1783;
Catharine, bo. Jan. 14, 1785;
Jemima, bo. Jan. 4, 1788;
John, bo. Dec. 12, 1791;
Ann, bo. Mar. 25, 1800.

Nothing more is known of Isaak, but he was probably living unmarried in 1826. Catharine married Deliverance Dutcher, a son of Capt. William Dutcher* or Duytser and Catrina Concklie, who according to the record on his gravestone, was born Mar. 25, 1783, and died Nov. 7, 1823. Catharine died July 10, 1875. She and her husband are both buried in the graveyard of the Sleepy Hollow Dutch Church a little north of the church. A grand-daughter, Mrs. Andrew C. Field, is said to live at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y. Catharine had five children as follows: John, born Oct. 18, 1814; Alexander, born July 28, 1817; Anthony, born Dec. 26, 1819, died Nov. 14, 1824; Salem, baptized July 13, 1823; and Deliverance, born Oct. 1, 1821.

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* This Abraham Ecker was a brother of Wolfert Ecker who married Engeltie Boeckhout. See page 49.

* Capt. William was the son of Johannes and a grandson of Barent Duyster and Marie Concklie or Kanklie, the name is now spelled Conklin. See page 42.

Jemima married Isaac Acker who was born in 1775 and died in 1834. She had the following children: Smith, born 1809; John, born May 13, 1812; Oliver, born Nov. 16, 1814, died unmarried.

John married Jemima Acker Mar. 5, 1820.

Ann appears to have married a Storms.

The family of Nicholas was traced no further.

12. Rachel Bancker (5) was baptized Dec. 4, 1725, at Sleepy Hollow and married, Nov. 24, 1744, Petrus Storm, probably a son of Dirk and Baranicka Storm,* baptized Aug. 28, 1722. Peter and Rachel lived at Philipsburg, where they had children baptized as follows:

Elizabeth, bp. July 5, 1746;
Hendricus, bo. Feb. 9, bp. Apr. 17, 1750;
Maritje, bp. Apr. 4, 1753;
Abraham, bo. Aug. 16, bp. Sept. 9, 1755.

These children were not traced further.

13. Hendrick Bancker (5) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Apr. 11, 1730. He married Ruth Matus or Maltus from Long Island Apr. 26, 1751. She seems to have died July 4, 1762, and Hendrick, who was then living in New York, married Marytje Calfort, a widow from "Hoog Diutsland" (Germany), Nov. 27, 1765. Hendrick appears to have gone to New York soon after his first marriage and possibly had no children, at least no record that could be identified with him could be found.

14. Willemina Bancker (5) was born in Philipsburg, but the date is not known. She married, Oct. 11, 1755, Abraham Storm. They lived for some years at Philipsburg, but afterwards moved to New York. It is difficult to decide from the records just what children they had. There were four Abraham Storms living in Philipsburg at this time, three of whom had been married between 1753 and 1755. Unfortunately, just at this period the clerk failed to give the name of the mother of baptized children, the entry appearing simply "Abraham Storm, Zyn Kind

* The Storm family was so numerous in this region about this time that one feels some uncertainty as to the identity of the different individuals.

Gedoopt." Some of the following were certainly Willemina's children, others are doubtful:

Marytje, bp. Nov. 1, 1756;
Rebecca, bp. Sept. 6, 1757;
Maritie, bp. Sept. 4, 1759;
Abraham, bp. Sept. 4, 1759;
Margarita, bp. Nov. 11, 1764.

There appears to be no doubt of Marytje, as Hendrick Bancker and his wife Marytje witnessed the baptism. Margarita was baptized in New York, and the records state distinctly that she was the daughter of Abraham Storm and Willemina Bancker. The others were baptized at Sleepy Hollow and we know only that they were the children of an Abraham Storm. It may be noted, however, that Maritie was sponsored by Hendrick Cranckheyt and wife, which gives some weight to the view that she was a child of Willemina, in which case Abraham probably was not.

CHAPTER IV.

THE BOECKHOUT FAMILY.

15. Maria Bancker (1) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York Mar. 25, 1691. She went with her parents to Philipsburg and later married Jan Boeckhout, a grandson of the immigrant Jan Boeckhout.* He was the son of Peter Boeckhout and Lysbeth Papen or Pater† and was baptized in the Dutch Church of New York Aug. 18, 1683. He lived the whole of his long life in Philipsburg as a farmer, his farm including what is now Irvington. He was a captain of the militia for many years, from which circumstance he was generally known as Captain Boeckhout. He owned several slaves, five of whom, Tom, Dick, Tim, David, and a wench, were sold in 1786 on the settlement of his estate. Three brought £70 each and the wench sold for the least, £40.

Maria died in August, 1755, aged 73 years according to the gravestone, which would seem to be an error. After her death Jan married second, before 1760, Deborah ———, who survived him. He died Apr. 10, 1785, and his funeral seems to have been conducted with all the *éclat* of the good old Dutch customs, for we find among the expenses of the administrator at the funeral the following items: invitations to the funeral 8s., rum 15s., sugar, pipes, &c., 12s. 3d., wine £1 1s. He is buried

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*Riker in his "History of Harlem" informs us that the founder of the Boeckhout or Buckhout family "came from Leyden in 1663. He became Koeherder van de gemente desen stede. Later he owned a farm at Mespat, and left two sons, Capt. Matthias who sailed a coaster and Peter a farmer."

† According to Riker (op. cit.) she was a daughter of Jan Pater and was born in Brazil. Before marrying Peter Boeckhout she had been the second wife of Peter Roelofs to whom she bore four sons and a daughter. After the death of Roelofs in 1679, it is related that Dr. John Greenleaf of Newton, "by way of a joke, offered to waive his bill for services for a kiss. The widow took him up, the kiss was duly given, and they shook hands over it. Afterwards, the doctor was so ungallant as to sue for payment. But the magistrate holding the settlement binding found for the defendant." She died before 1699, for on Nov. 21, of that year Peter married for his second wife Elsje Jeurians the widow of Thomas Verdon.

in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard, where his gravestone is one of the curious sights of the place. It stands a few rods north of the church and not far from the entrance. The inscription reads: "In Memory of Cap. John Buckhout, who Departed this life April the 10th 1785 Aged 103 Years and left behind him when he died 240 Chiln and Grand Children also Mary the wife of John Buct died August 1755 Aged 73 Years." His children appear to have been all by his first wife, Maria Bancker, and were sixteen in number. This is a most remarkable record. Maria had these children in a period of twenty-three years and none of them were twins. The list of children is as follows:

Jannitje, bp. Mar. 25, 1712;
Mattys;
16. Elizabeth;
17. Sara, bp. Apr. 18, 1716;
Maritje, bp. Apr. 22, 1718; died young;
Jan, bp. Apr. 21, 1719;
18. Jacob, bp. Nov. 1, 1720;
19. Maria, bp. Apr. 24, 1722;
Petrus, bp. Aug. 27, 1723;
Abram, bp. Apr. 10, 1725;
21. Brechje, bp. Apr. 2, 1726;
Engeltje, bp. Aug. 19, 1727;
Aaltje, bp. Apr. 11, 1730;
22. Isaac, bp. June 19, 1731;
23. Antje, bp. Apr. 17, 1733;
David, bp. Apr. 1, 1735.

Jannetie married Myndert Hogenkamp of Tappan across the river and went there to live. She had at least two children: Jannetie, born Nov. 13, 1737, and Jan, born Nov. 23, 1739. Nothing further is known of the family.

Matthias was born in Philipsburg, but no record of his birth or baptism has been found. From the date of his marriage he must have been born before Sara and may have been the first born. He was undoubtedly the first son and named for his grandfather. He was the executor of his father's will in 1786. He married, Mar. 20, 1736, Elizabeth Martin, a maiden from New Reesell, and seems to have immediately moved to Tappan, as his first two children were baptized there. The rest were all baptized at Philipsburg. He had at least eight children as

follows: Jan, born Aug. 31, 1736; died young; Evje, born Sept 3, 1739, and probably married Peter Bancker*; Jan, baptized June 6, 1741, enlisted, Apr. 19, 1758, in the French and Indian War, and is described as 5 ft. 7 in., in height, with gray eyes, round face and a ruddy, freckled complexion; Mattheus, baptized Apr. 30, 1743; Maria, baptized Apr. 19, 1746; Abraham, baptized Aug. 24, 1748; Hanatje, baptized Oct. 8, 1751; and Daniel, born Jan. 14, 1757.

John perhaps did not marry, but he seems to have been living in 1786.

Peter married, Mar. 16, 1745, Aaltje Cuyper or Kupper from Haverstraw. She was probably a daughter of Nicholas Cuyper and Maritie Ecker and was born Sept. 8, 1722, and was baptized at Tappan Jan. 15, 1723. Peter and his wife lived for a time at Tappan, but may have later moved to New York, as he appears to have been admitted as freeman of the city in 1751. He had at least two children: Jan, born Jan. 19, 1746, and died Dec. 29, 1825; and Elizabeth, born Oct. 21, 1746. Nothing further is known of him.

Abram married, Feb. 29, 1749-50, Catharina Van Waert, but nothing further could be found concerning him.

Engeltje married, Feb. 15, 1752, Wolfert Ecker, who was born in 1721, a son of Sybout, and a grandson of Wolfert Ecker, the original owner of the famous Wolfert's Roost described by Washington Irving and which later became the more famous Sunnyside. The grandfather died in 1753 or the early part of 1754. Wolfert died soon after his grandfather and before Apr. 4, 1754. In his will Wolfert leaves all his property to his grandfather, making special mention of a gold ring. After the death of her husband Engeltje married second, Nov. 20, 1756, Abraham Van Waert. She had by her first husband one child, Sybout, baptized Aug. 17, 1752.† It is difficult to decide what children Engeltje may have had by her second husband as there were several Abraham Van Waerts at this time and the families are likely to be confused.

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* See page 225.

† A Sybout Ecker appears to have married some one by the name of Engeltje and had: Abraham, born Mar. 21, 1773; Jacob, born July 1, 1777; Elizabeth, born May 28, 1779; and Jacobus, born Jan 1, 1782. This family may be of Sybout above or it may be the family of Sybout, who was born in 1754, the son of Abraham Ecker and Annatie Lent.

Aaltje married, Aug. 11, 1753, Jan Van Waert. Nothing further is known of her.

David was traced no further and as he is not mentioned in the settlement of his father's estate he probably died young.

One of the girls (Jannitje, Engeltje, or Aaltje) appears to have married before 1786 William Devoe as her second husband.

16. Elizabeth Boeckhout (15) was born in Philipsburg about 1714, but no record of her birth or baptism has been found. She is, however, mentioned in her father's will, so there is no doubt of her identity. She married, Sept. 30, 1738, William Jewell, a son of Joris (George) Jewell* and Metje De Groot. William was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Mar. 24, 1713. He died Nov. 6, 1789, aged 77 years, according to his tombstone in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard. He was a farmer and lived on Cortlandt's Manor in what is now the town of Yorktown, Putnam Co., until 1760, when he removed to his father-in-law's farm south of Tarrytown, where is now the village of Irvington. Elizabeth died Oct 1, 1790, aged 76 years, according to her tombstone. She had ten children as follows:

Joris, bp. Nov. 9, 1740;
Maritie, bp. Apr. 30, 1743;
Mettie, bp. June 22, 1745;
Jan, bp. May 3, 1747; bo. Jan. 17, 1746;
Willim, bp. Apr. 25, 1749;

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* This name is usually spelled Juel or sometimes Juwel in the church records. George Jewell of Philipse Manor made his will November 17, 1759, and it was probated July 15, 1765. He mentions his wife, Martha, five sons, Staats, William, Abraham, Isaac, and John, and two daughters, Sarah Downy and Rachel Lemater. By comparison with the Sleepy Hollow and Tappan records I identify him with Joris Juel or Juwel whose wife was Metje De Groot. It seems likely, therefore, that Martha was a second wife. He was born in Westchester county and married June 3, 1704, Nettie or Metje De Groot from Hackensack. His children so far as could be determined were: Sarah, bapt. Apr. 11, 1705, at Tappan; Mettie, bapt. Dec. 1, 1706, at Hackensack; John, bapt. Oct. 12, 1708, at Tappan; Staedts, born Nov. 13, 1710, and bapt. Jan. 16, 1711, at Tappan; William, bapt. Mar. 24, 1713, at Philipsburg; Isaac, bapt. Apr. 23, 1717, at Philipsburg; Jan, bapt. June 21, 1720, at Philipsburg; Rachel, birth unkown; and Abraham, birth unknown. Sarah married William Downy (Donny or Douni) and had at least one child, Catharina, bapt. Apr. 23, 1734. William married Elizabeth Boeckhout as noted in the text. Rachel married Barend Delameter and lived at Philipsburg. Abraham married Sarah Boeckhout, sister of Elizabeth above; see page 52. The names are so intimately associated in the records that there appears to be no doubt that they are all one family.

Isaac, bp. June 20, 1752;
Abraham, bp. Apr. 4, 1755; died young;
Elizabeth, bp. Apr. 21, 1756;
Debora, bp. June 21, 1762;
Abraham, bp. Apr. 16, 1774.

None of these were traced any further except as follows:

Joris married some one by the name of Annatje and had at least three children, all baptized at Sleepy Hollow as follows: Jan, born Mar. 10, 1770; Abraham, bapt. Sept. 13, 1772; and Willim, bapt. Apr. 16, 1774.

John was born in the Manor of Cortlandt. He married, Oct. 21, 1770, Elizabeth Lerrens (Lawrence), said to be a cousin of the famous Capt. James Lawrence, commander of the "Chesapeake." John was a farmer and lived on the Philipse Manor near Tarrytown during and after the Revolution. He took active part in the great conflict. He was at Tarrytown when the British vessels *Rose* and *Phoenix* came up the river in July, 1776, and he enlisted in Capt. Glode Requa's Company. He was employed during the summer in sinking the *chevaux-de-frise* to prevent the British vessels passing up the river, and after that was stationed at Fort Independence until the retreat of Gen. Washington and the American Army to White Plains. His company then joined the army at White Plains. From there he was sent with a small force to Dobbs Ferry to drive off the British vessels lying in the river at that place. Having accomplished their purpose they then marched up to Sing Sing and remained there for some time. John afterwards returned to his home near Dobbs Ferry, but was soon driven off by the enemy and his family had to find a home in the northern part of Westchester county, where they remained until the close of the war. He now enlisted again and in the fall of 1780 was taken prisoner near Pine's Bridge. He was taken to New York and was confined for seven weeks in the old Sugar House Prison. He was finally exchanged and returned to his family. He applied for a pension Feb. 4, 1833. He died Dec. 21, 1838, and his wife died Oct. 3, 1831, aged 85 years 10 months and 16 days, according to her tombstone. Both are buried in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard. John had the following children: Marya, born May 1, 1771; Debora, born Nov. 2, 1773; Elizabeth Crank,

born Jan. 19, 1774, bapt. May 30, 1784*; Elizabeth, born Feb., 1779, bapt. May 30, 1784*; John, and Martha. Of these children apparently only Elizabeth (which Elizabeth?) and John lived to have families. According to M. D. Raymond of the *Tarrytown Argus*, Elizabeth, "only daughter of John Jewell," married John Storm and was the mother of the late Capt. Jacob Storm of Tarrytown. John, Jr., married Martha Ferris, a daughter of Capt. Oliver Ferris and had eleven children, three of whom were Martha, Abigail L., and George. Martha married Lemuel Lawrence of Dobbs Ferry. Abigail married Joseph Mellows and had George, who married a daughter of Seth Bird and had Sarah E., the wife of Malcolm Connell of Tarrytown." Raymond's account becomes a little ambiguous at this point, but I understand that Abigail had also Theodore F. of Kensico; William of Sing Sing; Sarah, who married E. H. Birdsall of Tarrytown; and Martha Ann, who married Charles Reynolds of Kensico. George Jewell lived at Stratford, Conn., and left a daughter, now Mrs. Minnie Cary of Des Moines, Iowa. A letter addressed to the latter was returned unclaimed and efforts to communicate with others brought no replies.

Deborah married John Banker. I have not been able to identify him. He died before 1832, at which date Deborah was living. She had the following children: Martha, born Mar. 3, 1786; Elizabeth, born Aug. 17, 1791; William, born Apr. 15, 1795; and Deborah, born Aug. 27, 1798, and died about March, 1825, unmarried. Nothing further was learned of her family.

17. Sarah Boeckhout (15) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Apr. 18, 1716, and married, Nov. 1, 1735, Abraham Jewell, a son of Joris Jewell and Metje De Groot, and hence a brother of William, who married Sarah's sister, Elizabeth. They lived at Philipsburg, where Sarah had the following children:

Isaac, bp. Apr. 10, 1739;
Mettie, bp. Apr. 30, 1743;
Jannitje, bp. Aug. 22, 1744;
Aaltje, bp. Nov. 15, 1746;
Rebecca, bp. June 22, 1748;
Annie, bp. Aug. 30, 1749;

* I do not understand these two entries, but they are given as children of Jan and Elizabeth Juel.

Abraham, bp. June 4, 1751;
Sara, bp. Sept. 3, 1753;
Maria, bp. May 3, 1757;
Ezechiel, bp. Oct. 2, 1759;
Jacob.

Three of the girls seem to have married as follows: one to Josiah Secorr, another to Henry Charlick, and a third to William Ladew, but it could not be found which ones thus married.

Ezekiel was a Revolutionary soldier and served in Col. Roswell Hopkin's Regiment at Peekskill in 1777 and at Fishkill in 1779, for which he received £3, 3s. 3d.

Jacob is mentioned in the settlement of his grandfather's estate. The family was traced no further.

18. Jacob Boeckhout (15) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow, Aug. 31, 1720, and married, Sept. 9, 1749, Marytje Ecker. She was probably a granddaughter of Wolfert Ecker.* As Wolfert had several grandchildren named Marytje, it is impossible to decide which of these she may have been and there is no clue to her parents. Jacob was living in 1774 and had children as follows:

Marytje, bp. Apr. 17, 1750;
Jan, bp. Apr. 4, 1753; died young;
Engeltje, bo. Aug. 31, 1755;
Jan, bp. May 8, 1764;
Lea, bo. Sept. 1, 1766.

None of this family were traced any further except Engeltje. She married first, Nov. 9, 1773, Nicholas Storm, who was probably a son of Abraham Storm, and was baptized June 17, 1755, but what Abraham this was it is impossible to tell. Nicholas soon died and Engeltje married second, May 1, 1777, Jacob Ecker. She seems to have continued living at Philipsburg and had the following children by her second husband: Willem, bapt. Aug. 17, 1778; Marritie, born Aug. 1, 1782; and possibly Willemyntie, born June 17, 1783. The mother of the

* This name is also spelled Acker and Ackart. Wolfert died about 1754 leaving a widow, Marytje, and sons, Stephen, Sybout, and Abraham and a daughter, Marytje. Each of the sons had a daughter Marytje and all were born between 1728 and 1734. As Wolfert had at least 26 grandchildren by these sons, the Eckers or Ackers became very numerous in Sleepy Hollow about this time.

last is given as Jenneke Ecker. This may be a clerical error or it may mean a second wife of Jacob, which seems improbable.

19. Maria Boeckhout (15) was baptized Apr. 24, 1722, at Sleepy Hollow. She married, Sept. 3, 1747, Jacob Van Waert also of Philipsburg. They continued living at Philipsburg and Maria was still living in 1774. She had at least four children as follows:

20. Marytje, bp. Oct. 25, 1748;
Jacob, bp. Oct. 23, 1750;
Jan, bp. Aug. 19, 1754;
Engeltje, bp. Sept. 6, 1757.

Jacob married, June 7, 1771, Hester Van Noortstrand, who was born Apr. 18, 1757, a daughter of William Van Noortstrand and Catrina Devoe. He had at least three children: Jacob, bapt. June 20, 1772; Willim, born Nov. 10, 1773; and Abram, bapt. July 6, 1778.

Jan married, Nov. 9, 1773, Catrina Van Waert. What relation his wife may have been to him I have been unable to determine. He had at least one son, Johannis, born Oct. 6, 1775.

Engeltje was not traced any further.

20. Maria Van Waert (19) was born in Philipsburg, N. Y., and baptized, Oct. 25, 1748. She married, Mar. 29, 1767, Thomas Buis or Boyce of the same place. He probably died June 7, 1826, aged 80 years 2 months and 16 days. Maria had at least children as follows:

Jacob, bp. Sept. 3, 1768;
Johannes, bp. Apr. 22, 1770;
Engeltje, bo. May, 1780;

and probably also:

Thomas, died Apr. 10, 1825, aged 41 yrs, 9 mos. 7 ds.

Jacob seems to have married Sarah ——— and had at least two children: Thomas, born Dec. 15, 1796, died May 26, 1803; and Rachel Williams, died Sept. 15, 1798, aged 10 mos. Jacob died Feb. 2, 1806. All were buried in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard.

Johannes probably married first, Deborah ——— and had Mary, who died June 17, 1796, aged 9 mos. He afterwards married Mary ——— and had John Van Waert, who died Feb.

4, 1805, aged 11 mos. and 16 ds. Nothing further is known of the Buis family.

21. Brechje Boeckhout (15) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of Sleepy Hollow Apr. 2, 1726. She married, Sept. 21, 1746, Stephanus Ecker, probably a son of Stephanus Ecker and Engeltie Canckelie (Conklin?) and a grandson of Wolfert Ecker.* If so he was baptized June 4, 1726. Brechje died between 1766 and 1771, and her husband married for his second wife Geertje Bant, Sept. 8, 1771.† He died May 26, 1796, aged 70 years, and was buried in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard.

From the settlement of her father's estate Brechje appears to have had at least seven children, some of whom perhaps married as follows: one daughter married Joseph Rowlandson; another married Matthias Conklin; another married Jacob Wiley; and a fourth married Abram Locke. She certainly had four children as follows:

Brechje, bp. May 3, 1747;
Steven, bp. Apr. 27, 1762;
Aaltje, bo. Nov. 13, 1763;
Lea, bp. Apr. 22, 1766;

perhaps also:

Mary;
John;
Abraham.

Brechje married, May 5, 1765, David Hemmen (Hammond), who was baptized in Sleepy Hollow June 16, 1744, and was a son of David Hemmen and Maritie Storm, or she may have married David Hemmen, who was baptized in the same church May 1, 1748, and was a son of Isaac Hemmen and Catharine Ackerman. I cannot solve this problem. She may have married a second time one of the four mentioned above. She had at least three children: Engeltje, born Dec. 21, 1766; Marytje, born Oct. 1, 1769, and David, born Feb. 2, 1771.

22. Isaac Boeckhout (15) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow June 19, 1731. He married first, Sept. 29, 1754, Maragrietje

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* See page 53.

† By his second wife Stephanus had the following children: Petrus, born Apr. 16, 1773; Annatje, born Oct. 2, 1774; Stephanus, born Mar. 15, 1778; and Jacob, born Jan. 11, 1780.

Ecker, probably the daughter of Abram and Maragrietje Ecker and born in 1732. If so she was a granddaughter of Wolfert Ecker.* She must have died about 1762 or soon after, and Isaac married for his second wife Antje ——— before May 30, 1764. He died prior to Oct. 10, 1765, at which date his will was probated. He left legacies to his daughter Mary, wife Antje, and the rest of his property to his children "John and Rachel which I had by my first wife." He had children by his first wife as follows:

Maritje, bp. June 17, 1755;
Lea, bp. May 3, 1757;
Jan, bp. Sept. 13, 1760;
Rachel, bp. Sept. 7, 1762.

Probably by his second wife he had:

Mary.

From the language of his will I am disposed to think that Maritje and Lea had died and that Mary was by his second wife.

Mary married a Garrison and Rachel married a Genung.

23. Antje Boeckhout (15) was baptized Apr. 17, 1733, in the Sleepy Hollow Church. She married, July 6, 1755, Coenraad Saddoor, a tailor. He was born in Germany about 1734. On Apr. 15, 1758, he enlisted for the French and Indian War in Capt. Jonathan Fowler's Company, having been in Capt. John Boeckhout's militia company. He was 5 ft. 8 in. high, with grey eyes and a round face. Antje was living in 1786. She had at least seven children as follows:

Isaac, bp. Oct. 27, 1755;
Maritje, bp. Sept. 6, 1757;
Stephanus, bp. Apr. 24, 1759;
Jan, bp. Sept. 13, 1760;
Frederick, bp. Oct. 23, 1762;
Abram, bp Oct. 22, 1765;
Elizabeth, bo. Sept 1, 1771.

Isaac married Wyntje Appelbe Sept. 2, 1775, and had the following children: Coenraad, born July 25, 1776; Maritje, born

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* See page 53.

1779; Antje, born 1780; and Joseph, born 1782. These all appear to have been baptized at one time in 1784. The irregularity was doubtless due to the disturbance of the Revolution.

Maritje married in November, 1774, Joris Miller. No further trace of the descendants of Antje Saddoor was made.

CHAPTER V.

THE FREDERICK BANCKER FAMILY.

24. Frederick Bancker (1) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York, May 22, 1698. He married, Apr. 1, 1721, Aaltje Storm, the daughter of Gregorius Storm* and Engeltje Van Dyck. Aaltje was born Aug. 20, 1701. Frederick died sometime between 1737 and 1744, and on June 9 of the latter year his widow married second Daniel Lamoureux, who had formerly married Jannitje Marze as his first wife. The children of Frederick were:

25. Thomas, bp. Apr. 10, 1725;
37. Hendrick, bp. Oct. 28, 1727;
38. Johannis, bp. Apr. 11, 1730;
Abraham, bp. Apr. 23, 1734;
Engeltje, bp. July 31, 1737.

Abraham and Engeltje have been traced no further.

25. Thomas Banker (24) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Apr. 10, 1725. He appears to have married first Jane Nelson and second Anny Nelson, probably sisters, unless one of these is a clerical error. He removed to the vicinity of Rhinebeck and purchased a farm of 111 acres near Crum Elbow Nov. 10, 1768, for which he paid £222. He sold this in 1791 to John Rice of New York for "divers good causes and considerations." He had two children, both baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of the Flats near Nether Rhinebeck. By his first wife he had:

Maria Ann, bp. Mar. 2, 1755.

By his second wife he had:

26. Frederick, bp. Aug. 13, 1758.

Maria is said to have married a man by the name of Burris. I have traced her no further. These two are believed to be all the children Thomas had.

* The Storm family in this country starts from Dirk Storm who came from the Mayory of Bosch with his wife and three children in the ship Fox in August 1662.

26. FREDERICK BANKER (25) was born Aug. 13, 1758, near Nether Rhinebeck and was baptized in the Reformed Dutch Church of the Flats. He lived most of his life at Staatsburgh near Hyde Park, Dutchess Co., N. Y. He was a Revolutionary soldier and enlisted first in 1776 as a private for 8 months in Capt. Isaac Conklin's Company of Col. John Frear's Regiment of Dutchess county militia. He again enlisted as Sergeant in Capt. Hageman's Company of Col. Cantine's Regiment. Also at various times he served in the militia companies of Capt. Josiah Burton, Capt. Reuben Spencer, Capt. Ostrom, Capt. Hugh VanKleek, Capt. Elijah Herrick, and Capt. Wilson. He was engaged in the capture of the fort at Berrian Heights.* It is said that he and a man named Shultz captured a British vessel near Esopus, and that his son Thomas afterward received the prize money, but I have not found any records confirming this. In 1782 he was a member of a class in Spencer's Company of Frear's Regiment.†

He married in Ulster county, Mar. 18, 1781, Eleanor Underhill, the widow of John Rogers. She was born Sept. 4, 1762, and died June 6, 1857. Frederick died June 6, 1848. They are buried in the Episcopal graveyard at Hyde Park. His tombstone gives his age as 88 yrs. 10 mos. and 25 dys., which is an error. He had children as follows:

27. Thomas, bo. about 1782;
36. Mary, bo. Sept. 18, 1785;
Benjamin B.;
John;
Andrew, d. in 1812;
Margaret;
Annie.

Benjamin married and died in New York about 1877. He was a silversmith. He had children, at least: John, Thomas, and Ellen. John was a carpenter and lived in New Jersey; Ellen, it is thought, married a man by the name of Sloat and lived in New Jersey.

John married Carrie Clute and died in Albany.

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* I have not been able to locate this.
† See also page 353.

Andrew with his brother Thomas enlisted in the War of 1812 and went down to New York. He died at Harlem Heights that year, unmarried.

Margaret married first a man by the name of Duvou or Devoe, second a man by the name of England. She lived near Allen's Hill, N. Y. She had at least one daughter, who married first a Myers. He was killed by the cars in the round-house in Albany, and she married second a Massee.

Annie married Joe Castil and lived in Connecticut. She had five children; Joe, William, Willard, John, and Ellen Mary.

The above facts were from the memory of Mrs. Foster. The families have been traced no further.

27. Thomas Banker (26) was born about 1782 at Staatsburgh, N. Y. He was a private or sergeant in the War of 1812. He married Jane Ellsworth, a relative of Col. Ellsworth of Civil War fame. He lived throughout his life at Staatsburgh, where he died Dec. 28, 1865, aged 83 years. His wife died Sept. 28, 1857, aged 71 years, according to her tombstone. They are buried in the graveyard of the Refermed Dutch Church at Hyde Park, N. Y. Their children were:

28. Julia H., bo. Jan. 8, 1818;
33. Frederick, bo. Oct. 8, ——;
Mary;
34. Catharine, bo. May 20, 1828.

Mary married Benjamin Franklin Schultz, a brother of Gertrude Maria Schultz.* She has been traced no further.

28. Julia H. Banker (27) was born in Staatsburgh, N. Y., Jan. 8, 1818. She married, Feb. 4, 1841, John Foster,† who was born in England about 1801. He was a farmer and they lived in Hyde Park until his death, Apr. 15, 1862. Julia was living with her daughter, Mrs. Donaldson, in Brooklyn in 1907, but was in a very feeble state of health. She had children as follows:

Jesse, bo. Mar. 2, 1842; d. in Aug., 1863;
29. Susan M., bo. Oct. 2, 1843;
30. Thomas B., bo. June 9, 1844;

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* See page 64.
† In England the family spelled the name Forster.

31. Frederick, bo. May 31, 1845;
32. Edward S., bo. May 30, 1847;
John E., bo. Mar. 23, 1848;
Julia J., bo. July 21, 1850;
Hattie B., bo. Sept. 30, 1853.

Jesse was a soldier of the Civil War, serving in the 128th Regiment, N. Y. S. Vol. Inf., and died at Baton Rouge, La.

John E. is unmarried and is a painter. He lives at 400 Sackett St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Julia married, June 29, 1876, Edward A. Donaldson, who was born Aug 21, 1850, a son of William Donaldson. He is a weigher in a grain elevator and they live at 210 Pacific St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Julia has no children, but adopted her niece Verna.

Hattie married Francis G. Hansom. His mother was Elizabeth Kittrell. He was a tip-printer. Hattie died Apr. 22, 1891. Her husband and children also are all dead.

29. Susan M. Foster (28) was born in Hyde Park, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1843, and married William Garrett, a painter in New York and Brooklyn. His mother's name was Tuttle. Susan died Oct. 8, 1901. Her husband is still living. She had one son; Fred, born Dec. 6, 1877. He married Lillian Caulfield and is a painter living in Brooklyn. He has three boys:

Fred Norwood, bo. Oct. 26, 1899;
Edward Austin, bo. July 5, 1901;
Charles Gerard, bo. Aug 23, 1907.

30. Thomas B. Foster (28) was born in Hyde Park, N. Y., June 9, 1844. He married Temperance Place, a daughter of Welcome Place and Louisa Tucker. He was a soldier in the Civil War and served in the 128th Regiment, N. Y. S. Vol. Inf. He is now a painter and resides in Schenectady, N. Y. He has the following children:

William G., bo. Nov. 26, 1868;
Edna Browning, bo. Mar. 10, 1870;
Frank, bo. Oct. 2, 1872;
Leroy A., bo. Dec. 1, 1874.

William married Mary Maur, a daughter of John Maur of Hyde Park. He died in Sept., 1903, and his widow is now

(1907) living in Poughkeepsie. He had children: Hattie, Thomas, Ralph, and William. Hattie and Ralph are dead; the others are with their mother.

Edna married Walter E. Cosgrove, an electrician, and they live at 29 Cranberry St., Brooklyn, N. Y. She has two children, Hattie Brooks and James.

Frank and Leroy are unmarried and live in Schenectady.

31. Frederick Foster (28) was born in Hyde Park, N. Y., May 31, 1845. He married Amelia Phillips, who was born about 1850, and was a daughter of ——— Phillips and Caroline Moore. Frederick was a painter and lived in Hyde Park, where he died Sept. 20, 1888. His wife died Nov. 7, 1885. He had children as follows: Dora, who married Irving Baylis and lives in Hyde Park, N. Y.; Jesse; John; Hattie, who has died; Verna, born Aug. 1, 1880, and was adopted by her aunt, Mrs. Donaldson; Frederick; and Anna Belle, who lives at Schenectady with her Uncle Thomas.

32. Edward S. Foster (28) was born in Hyde Park, N. Y., May 30, 1847. He married, Nov. 24, 1872, Susan Van Wagner, who was born July 6, 1855, and was a daughter of Gilbert Van Wagner and Jane Van Dyck. Edward was a painter and lived in Hyde Park, where he died June 1, 1907. His widow is still living there. He had children as follows:

Percy, bo., Nov. 23, 1873;
Ralph, bo. May 5, 1876;
Julia, bo. Apr. 6, 1879;
Rebecca, bo. Oct. 6, 1880;
Edward, bo. Aug. 13, 1883.

Rebecca married, June 26, 1905, George L. Williams, who was born July 26, 1875, a son of John Williams. He was a soldier in the Spanish War and is now a rural mail carrier. Rebecca has one child; Beatrice Helen, born June 22, 1907.

Edward married, Sept. 25, 1906, Eva Turpening, who was born June 7, 1884, a daughter of Charles Turpening and Elizabeth McDermott. He is a painter and lives in Hyde Park.

Julia is unmarried and is a bookkeeper in Little Falls, N. Y. The rest all live at home with their mother in Hyde Park.

33. FREDERICK BANKER (27) was born Oct. 8, 18—, at Staatsburgh, Dutchess Co., N. Y. He married, July 31, 1831, Mary Ann Schultz, who was born May 24, 1808. His wife died June 2, 1874. His children were:

Mary J., bo. Aug 4, 1830;
William C., bo. Mar. 30, 1833; d. Nov. 7, 1836;
Catharine E., bo. Jan. 16, 1836;
James L., bo. Sept. 3, 1839;
Ann Eliza, bo. Sept. 25, 1843;
Thomas, bo. Mar. 5, 1849; d. Apr. 22, 1851.

Mary J. never married and is now living at 29 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.

Catharine married Henry Van Bentheusen. He was a soldier and died in a rebel prison. Catharine lives at 64 Lark St., in Albany. She has two children: Lemuel, who lives with his mother, and Lorinda or Minnie, who married Charles Van Valkenburg and also lives on Lark St.

James L. enlisted as a private in the Civil War, first in Co. A, 25th Regiment, N. Y. State Militia, and was mustered into the U. S. service the same day, May 31, 1862. This was for three months, and he was honorably discharged with his company at Albany, Sept. 8, 1862. He then enlisted, Feb. 21, 1863, in Co. F, 7th Regiment, N. Y. Heavy Artillery, for three years, and was discharged June 25, 1865. He was engaged at Tollepotomie Creek, North Anna River, Wilderness, Ream's Station, Deep Bottom, and on the line at Petersburg. He was wounded at Ream's Station and twice at Deep Bottom. After the war he married, Mar. 1, 1875, Elizabeth Patterson, who was born Oct 10, 1852, a daughter of David Patterson and Sarah Caughtry. James and his wife reside at 60 Morton St., Albany, N. Y. They have no children.

Ann Eliza married David Skinkle. She is now a widow and lives on Clinton Ave., Albany. She had one child, Catharine M., who married and died within a year.

34. CATHARINE BANKER (27) was born near Staatsburgh, N. Y., May 20, 1828. She married, May 20, 1852, Joel N. DeGroff, who was born Nov. 20, 1831, a son of Isaac DeGroff and Margaret Williams. He was for a time a keeper in Sing Sing

Prison, then a merchant, and now (1907) lives in Ossining, N. Y. Catharine died Apr. 26, 1907. She had children as follows:

Isaac, bo. Sept. 7, 1854;

35. Jennie, bo. June 23, 1856;

Kittie Vedder, bo. Nov. 2, 1872.

Isaac married, Nov. 24, 1883, Alice Hopkins, a daughter of Bazil Hopkins. He is in the newspaper business and lives at 87 State St., Ossining, N. Y. He has children: Edna, born 1884; Joel, born 1885; Virginia, born 1886; Bazil, born 1888; Hazel, born 1892; and Hilda, born 1894.

Kittie married, Sept. 6, 1892, Fred Davis, who was born Mar. 20, 1869, a son of David Davis and Alice McHenry. He is a conductor on the Hudson River Railroad and they live at Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y. Kittie has one child, Alice Mildred, born June 26, 1893.

35. Jennie DeGroff (34) was born June 23, 1856. She married, Dec. 8, 1874, Richard U. LeRay, who was born Nov. 17, 1845, a son of William T. LeRay and Caroline Valance. He is a publisher, and they live at 53 Grand Ave., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Jennie has children as follows:

Hattie Brooks, bo. Sept. 14, 1876;

Lula A., bo. July 14, 1878; d. May 24, 1892.

Hattie married, Oct. 2, 1901, Alex. D. Cornell, a son of Jean Farrington Cornell and Janet Folsom. She has a pair of twin girls, born Oct. 7, 1904, and named Jean Farrington and Janet Folsom, the names being used interchangeably.

36. Mary Banker (26) was born in Staatsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 18, 1785. She married Isaac Travis, who was born Nov. 25, 1776, and died July 26, 1862. Mary died July 26, 1882. She had at least two children as follows:

Frederick Banker, bo. May 29, 1806;

Robert.

Frederick married Gertrude Maria Schultz, sister of Benjamin F. Schultz.* He died Nov. 14, 1891, at Page Brook, Chenango Co., N. Y. He had children: Frederick Banker, who was living at Bridgeville, Sullivan Co., N. Y., in 1891; Mary, who married Henry C. Radell and lived at Stewardsville,

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* See page 60.

De Kalb Co., Mo., in 1891; Emily, who married a Diamond and lived in Sing Sing in 1891; Josephine, who married Robert Orr and lived at Rahway, N. J., in 1891; Julia, who married Isaac Neuhuys and lived at 67 1st St., Albany, N. Y., in 1906; and Annie, who married a Donaldson and lived at 153 South Knox St., Albany, N. Y., in 1891.

Robert died a few years after his brother, but no particulars are known of him.

37. Hendrick Banker (24) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Oct. 28, 1727, and, according to his gravestone, he must have been born about Aug. 19, 1727. There were two of this name in Philipsburg at this time with only three years' difference in their ages.* At the same time the church records were not so well kept as in preceding years and there is often some doubt as to which Hendrick a given record may pertain. The gravestone record, however, seems to identify this Hendrick beyond question. He married Catrina Van Tassel of Philipsburg Nov. 17, 1750. He was a Revolutionary soldier and served in Capt. Gabriel Requa's Company of Col. James Hammond's Regiment, the 1st Westchester County Militia, from May 2, 1779, to May 25, 1780, for which he received £31, 16s. 5d. His name appears on the Revolutionary Soldiers' Monument in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. He was a farmer and at the close of the war he purchased 152 acres along the west side of the Saw Mill River near Pleasantville, in Westchester county. This farm was part of the Philipsburg Manor and was bought of the Commissioners of Forfeiture for the Southern District for £418. Hendrick died Oct. 28, 1805, and was buried in the Sleepy Hollow graveyard, where his grave may still be seen. The headstone, a brown sandstone, is broken and is rapidly disintegrating. When first seen by the author some years ago the inscription was nearly complete except the date of death. Now the record of Hendrick has entirely disappeared and that of his wife is nearly gone. The original record, however, has been preserved in the Inscription Book of Solomon Brewer, the old gravestone maker of Tarrytown during the period following the Revolution.† Hendrick's wife, Catrina, died Sept. 15, 1799,

* See page 45.

† This record as well as a number of others I have been able to obtain through the kindness of Mr. Daniel Van Tassel of Tarrytown.

aged 86 years, 5 months, 2 days. Hendrick dropped the c from his name, which appears on his gravestone as Banker. He had at least five children as follows:

Frederick, bp. Oct. 8, 1751;
Emie, bp. Oct. 24, 1752;
Aaltje, bp. Sept. 3, 1753;
Jan. bp. June 17, 1755;
Phebe, bp. Aug. 25, 1756.

Nothing further is known of Frederick, Jan. and Phoebe.

Emma appears to have married Isaac De Rivier, a son of Johannis De Rivier and Catharina Van Tassel. Isaac and his brother Jacob, possibly twins, were baptized at Sleepy Hollow Aug. 17, 1752. He was probably a descendant from Abraham De Rivier, one of the early settlers at Philipsburg, whose name appears in the list of the first church members. Isaac died Mar. 20, 1813, and is buried in Sleepy Hollow. Emma, whose name appears to have been gradually transformed into Anna, had children as follows: Maritje, bapt. 1777, born June 10; Catharine, bapt. 1777, born Dec. 23, 1777; Johannis, born Oct. 9, 1779; Marytje, bapt. 1783; Cornelius, born Nov. 26, 1786; and Jacobus, born September, 1790, died Nov. 18, 1814. The records are fragmentary and difficult to understand; I have, therefore, taken the entries just as they stand. The family has been traced no further.

Aaltje married John Gerritsen. He was perhaps a son of Teunis Gerritse and, if so, was baptized June 9, 1759. Aaltje had at least one child, Catharina, bapt. Feb. 6, 1777.

38. John Banker (24) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow Apr. 11, 1730. He married Eleanor Scott at Nether Rhinebeck Mar. 25, 1755. She was a daughter of William Scott and Mary Dehoyer.* After his marriage John appears to have lived for

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* According to an old record in possession of George S. Newcomb of Cleveland, Ohio, this Mary was a daughter of Cornelius Derrickson Dehover and Cornelia Bogardus. The latter was a daughter of William Bogardus and a granddaughter of Anneke Jans Bogardus, made famous by the Trinity Church litigations in New York. Mary married first William Humphrey and had one son, Thomas William. She married second William Scott and had three sons and four daughters as follows; Cornelius, Joseph, Abraham, Cornelius, Mary, Eleanor, and Elizabeth. An interesting account of "Anneke Jans Bogardus and her Farm" will be found in *Harper's Monthly Magazine* for May, 1885, page 836.

a time in Dutchess county, at Rhinebeck and Poughkeepsie, and probably also in the Little Nine Partner's Patent, but finally he removed to Plattsburgh, N. Y. His children were all born in Dutchess county, but all went to Plattsburgh with him, so that he became the founder of the Plattsburgh branch of the Bancker family. He dropped the c from his name. He is said to have been in the Revolutionary army and to have belonged to the cavalry, but it is not known to what company, and I have not been able to confirm this tradition from documents. He died in February, 1817, and his wife died in March, 1814. They are buried in Plattsburgh. John's children were as follows:

39. Willem, bo. Feb. 9, bp. Mar. 7, 1756;
    Tomas, bo. Aug. 13, bp. Oct. 19, 1760; died young;
68. Lucretia, bo. Dec. 3, 1762;
    Maria,* bp. Apr. 20, 1766;
71. Rebecca, bo. Feb. 5, bp. Apr. 2, 1768;
74. John, bo. Sept. 25, 1770;
94. Henry J., bo. Sept. 25, 1772;
106. Eleanor, bo. Nov. 7, 1776.

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* The family records mention no Maria, but speak of Polly said to have been born May, 1763. I believe Polly and Maria to be the same. The record of Maria's baptism appears in the records of the Dutch Church of the Flats near Nether Rhinebeck. According to the old record in possession of G. S. Newcomb, Polly married Tunis Cronk. The last name is undoubtedly a corruption of Cranckheyt, for which see page 36.

CHAPTER VI.

THE WILLIAM BANKER FAMILY OF PLATTSBURGH.

39. William Banker (38) was born Feb. 9, 1756*, and was baptized March 7 in the Reformed Dutch Church of the Flats near Nether Rhinebeck. He married in September 1780, Ruth Soule, a daughter of George Soule of Rhinebeck, N. Y. Her father is said to have been a cousin of Bishop Soule and a descendant of Soule of the Mayflower. She was born Oct. 15, 1765†, and died Feb. 11, 1847‡.

William was a soldier in the Revolution. He enlisted at Rhinebeck, N. Y., May 12, 1777, as a private in the 4th Reg't of the New York Line under Col. Henry V. Livingston, and served for three years being discharged May 12, 1780. He was in Capt. Pearsee's and Capt. Fowler's Companies. He took part in the campaign against Gen. Burgoyne and was present at the Battle of Stillwater and at the surrender at Saratoga. With his regiment he accompanied Gen. Sullivan in his expedition against the Indians of Western New York and took active part in the bloody conflict of Newtown, near the present site of Elmira, by which the power of these tribes was completely broken. The story is told that in one battle his company was repulsed and retreating across a hollow, as they ran down one side, he became entangled in some blackberry bushes. His company got far ahead of him and at last in alarm he threw away his gun. In so doing he became freed from the bushes, and picking up his gun he started up the other side of the hollow after his company. The enemy discovered him before he was half way up and opened fire on him which materially quickened his pace. After his escape he found that fifteen bullets, so it is said, had gone through his coat and hat, but not one had touched his person. By reason of his service in the Revolution he became entitled to 600 acres of land which were granted to him by the Legislature of New York State as Lot No. 77 in

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* The family record says 1755.
† One family record says 1763.
‡ Also given as 1846.

the 16th Township of Military Lands. This lot was located in Cayuga county. He sold the tract, Mar. 9, 1801, to John Smith of Newchester Town, Grafton Co., New Hampshire for $90. He is called in the deed William Bonker and was then living in Peru, Clinton Co., N. Y. He became a pensioner in 1818. The story is told that in after years he used to light his pipe with Continental paper money. After the war he lived for a time at Nine Partners in Dutchess county, but about 1785 probably he removed to Clinton county, N. Y., and settled at West Peru, where he died Aug. 2, 1839. He had twelve children as follows:

Margaret, bo. June 11, 1781;
Thomas, bo. Apr. 11, 1783; died in six months;
40. John, bo. Aug. 7, 1785;
Elizabeth, bo. Apr. 22, 1788;
55. Benjamin, bo. Apr. 5, 1790;
Martha, bo. May 6, 1791;
Lucretia, bo. Apr. 24, 1793; d. in 1794;
Lucretia, bo. Dec. 21, 1795; died without issue;
Rebecca, bo. Apr. 17, 1798;
60. Jonathan, bo. Aug. 4, 1800;
62. Elias, bo. Oct. 16, 1803;
65. Huldah, bo. June 12, 1805.

Margaret was born probably in Dutchess county, N. Y.* She moved with her father to Peru, N. Y., and there married William White. Later she moved to Cardington, Ohio, where she died, said to be over eighty years old. She had five children; Reuben; Rachel who is said to have married a Ruben Banker; Nemiah; Horace who became a physician and lived in Cincinnati, Ohio; and Howlan who married and had at least two children; Lucretia, a teacher, said to be living in Cardington, Ohio, and a son, Theodore, who became a lawyer and has died. A letter addressed to Lucretia at Cardington was returned unclaimed and no further trace of the family could be obtained.

Elizabeth married Elijah Weston, a farmer, and lived at Schuyler Falls, N. Y. She had several children including Adrian who became a physician in Keesville, N. Y., and is now dead, and Emeline who married a physician by the name of Reynolds.

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* One correspondent says in Peru, Clinton Co., N. Y., but it is very doubtful if William Banker moved to Clinton county before 1785.

Nothing further is known of the family.

Martha married Horace Beach who was born Mar. 3, 1786. She died May 14, 1832, having had eleven children of whom the seventh was William Banker born Sept. 15, 1821, and died Jan. 7, 1898. This son had at least one child, Charles H., who lives in Providence, R. I. Nothing further is known of the family.

Rebecca is said to have married Ashael Delano or Dilino and moved to Erie, Pa. Nothing more is known of her.

40. JOHN BANKER (39) was born Aug. 7, 1785, probably in Dutchess county, N. Y., but it is likely that his father removed to Plattsburgh soon after this date*. He married first Christiana Kent, a daughter of John Kent, and lived in Goshen, Clinton Co., N. Y., where he carried on the business of farming, blacksmithing, and manufacturing farm tools. After the death of his wife he went to Cardington, Ohio, where he married as his second wife, Deborah Parker, Aug. 24, 1836. She was a widow and lived with her brother near Cardington. Mr. Banker died at Mt. Gilead, Morrow Co., Ohio, in April, 1860† His children by the first wife were:

41. Ezra Kent, bo. Oct. 18, 1809;
42. Benjamin D., bo. Dec. 7, 1811;
Hannah;
44. Mary, bo. Feb. 28, 1816;
John, died young;
Christiana, died young;
51. Edward White, bo. Sept. 10, 1820;
52. Elias, bo. Aug. 28, 1822;
George Washington, bo. Jan. 29, 1825;
Ruth;
William S.;
Martha.

By his second wife he had:

53. Margaret Ann, bo. Aug. 2, 1837;
Prudence Wells, bo. Aug. 19, 1839.

Nothing further is known of Hannah. She probably died young.

* A correspondent states that he was born in Plattsburgh. This could not be, as the first white boy born in Plattsburgh, Platt Newcomb, was not born until Nov. 1, 1785.

† One correspondent says that he died at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, in 1857.

George married in Boston, Mass., July 16, 1849, Henrietta Maria Hull who was born in Durham, N. H., Jan. 3, 1829. She is still living. George was the inventor of the Banker can for shipping fluids. He is dead, but the date of his death I could not obtain. He had one child, Emma Eddy, born July 16, 1850, and died Dec. 23, 1851.

William S. is a commission merchant located on Hudson Avenue in Albany, N. Y. He has one son, Burt A., who lives at 3431 Vernon Ave., Chicago.

Ruth and Martha successively married their second cousin, William R. Banker, for whom see page 99.

Prudence was born in Mt. Gilead, Morrow Co., Ohio. She married John Loren of Morrow county. He died about 1905. She is still living at Mt. Gilead. Her children are; first, Dora, who married Charles Clevenger, a contractor of Mt. Gilead, and has a family; second, Etta who married James Johnson, a farmer in Morrow county, and has children; third, William, a farmer of Mt. Gilead, who married a Vaughan and has eight children; fourth, Mayme who is unmarried and lives with her mother; and fifth, Margaret D. who married a machinist in Mt. Gilead and has one boy. Nothing further could be learned of these.

41. Ezra Kent Banker (40) was born in Clinton county N. Y., Oct. 18, 1809. He married, about 1830, Eliza Whitney who was born Mar. 19, 1809, and died Feb. 24, 1868. He was a blacksmith and lived most of his life in Hartland, Niagara Co., N. Y., where he died Apr. 24, 1868. He had children as follows:

John Ezra, bo. about 1837; d. in 1841;
Vinal Edward, bo. Jan. 14, 1840;
George Washington, bo. about 1842; d. in 1844.

Vinal married, Dec. 1, 1880, Susan Elizabeth Wheeler who was born Sept. 23, 1842, a daughter of William Wheeler and Louisa——. Mr. Banker is a farmer and fruit-grower. He and his wife are both living (1906) in Gasport, Niagara Co., N. Y. He has had two children; Julia Louisa, born May 20, 1882; and died Feb. 16, 1892; and Martha Eliza, born May 21, 1883, and died Sept. 21, 1901.

42. Benjamin D. Banker (40) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1811. He married Jane Ann Minkler who was

born June 5, 1819, a daughter of Beriah Minkler and Rachel Van Vliet. He was a farmer in Chazy, N. Y., where he died July 5, 1862. After his death his widow in 1873 moved west with her family, and in 1880 she married Hiram Van Vliet at Winthrop, Mo. She had no children by her second marriage and died Oct. 11, 1893. Mr. Van Vliet died in May, 1899. Benjamin's family consisted of the following children:

Benson Beriah, bo. Mar. 12, 1838; d. Mar. 9, 1840;
43. Charlotte Amelia, bo. Jan. 30, 1843;
Ellen Ophelia, bo. Nov. 7, 1846; d. Feb. 18, 1859;
Ezra Esco, bo. Feb. 2, 1849;
William Halsey, bo. Aug. 24, 1851;
Rachel Frances, bo. Oct. 20, 1853;
Georgiana L., bo. Oct. 2, 1858; d., 1861.

Ezra E. married Ella Parsons in New York. He died at St. Paul, Minn., in Aug., 1897, leaving three children; Charles, Lillis, and May. They are all married, but nothing more is known of them.

William H. married, Mar. 8, 1884, Hattie Cotton who was born Aug. 1, 1865, a daughter of Emelous P. Cotton and Caroline Lee. He lives in Western Springs, Ill., and conducts a market. He has seven children: Benjamin Arthur, born Mar. 5, 1885; Alice Marion, born June 9, 1886; Ethel Frances, born Feb. 11, 1889; Lester Emelous, born Apr. 16, 1890; Irving Halsey, born June 9, 1894; Leon Chester, born Aug. 2, 1897; and Marguerite Ellyn, born Nov. 12, 1903. None of the children are married and all are at home with their parents.

Rachel married, July 26, 1882, Willis Eugene Merrill, who was born Mar. 14, 1855, a son of Miles J. Merril and Lydia C. —. He was a farmer and died about 1887. Rachel had one son, Walter Banker, born June 22, 1884. Walter is now (1908) telegraph operator for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad at Hinsdale, Ill.

43. Charlotte Amelia Banker (42) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1843. She married first, Nov. 16, 1870, John M. Horican, who was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Dec. 6, 1837, a son of John Horican and Sally Clark. He was a lawyer After his death Charlotte married second, June 2, 1882, David B.

Dunning. She had no children by the second marriage and died July 16, 1883. Her husband married again and has a family by his second marriage. Charlotte had the following children:

Jennie Hattie, bo. Nov. 12, 1872;
George, bo. Apr. 16, 1875; d. Apr. 15, 1881.

Jennie married, Oct. 9, 1893, Sydney James Avery who was born June 6, 1870, a son of James S. Avery and Anna———. Jennie died Jan. 6, 1902, at Clinton, Iowa. She had three children: Ray S., born July 19, 1894, and died Aug. 11, 1894; Robert S., born July 20, 1897, and died Nov. 2, 1904; and Harold Vincent, born Apr. 16, 1899.

44. Mary Banker (40) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1816. She married John Whitney who was born about 1805, a son of Melen Whitney of Barre, Vt. He was a blacksmith and farmer and lived in Vermont until he was twenty-eight, then at Peasleeville, N. Y. He died Mar. 20, 1890. Mary died Mar. 4, 1887. She had nine children as follows:

45. Jane Christiana, bo. June 7, 1836;
46. John Edward, bo. Mar. 20, 1838;
47. Mary Elizabeth, bo. July 6, 1841;
48. Earl Ira, bo. Dec. 10, 1844;
Eliza, bo. Jan 3, 1848;
49. Vinal E., bo. Jan. 4, 1850;
50. Lucinda, bo. Dec. 11, 1852;
William, bo. Aug. 26, 1856;
Ida, bo. Dec. 25, 1859; d. when 10 mos. old.

Eliza is unmarried and lives in Schuyler Falls, N. Y.

William married, Sept. 1, 1890, Ella Benway who was born Jan. 29, 1871, a daughter of Washington Benway and Jennie Moore.* He is a farmer and lives in Peasleeville, N. Y. He has had three children: Floyd Kester, born June 15, 1891, and died Mar. 24, 1898; Ray Foster, born Sept. 19, 1904, and died Sept. 4, 1905; and Earl Olcott, born Mar. 16, 1906.

45. Jane Christiana Whitney (44) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., June 7, 1836, and married, Apr. 9, 1857, Ziba Newell.

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* See page 120.

a farmer also of Peasleeville, where they are now (1908) both living. Jane has six children as follows:

Ella, bo. July 21, 1858; d. May 17, 1876;
George W., bo. Oct. 1, 1862;
Jennie, bo. June 30, 1864;
Minnie, bo. Sept. 7, 1870;
Cora, bo. July 9, 1874;
Martha, bo. Feb. 1, 1877.

George married, Aug. 23, 1885, Sarah E. Banker who was born in Peasleeville Feb. 16, 1869. She was a daughter of Alonson Banker and Mary Johnson* and she and her husband were third and fourth cousins. Mr. Newell is a farmer and lives in Peasleeville. He has ten children: Goldie Cecile, born Aug. 17, 1887; Mabel A., born Feb. 11, 1889, and married Oct. 3, 1907, J. Swinyer of Black Brook; Clifford George, born Oct. 1, 1891; Dorothy May, born Sept. 27, 1893; Edward H., born Nov. 5, 1895; Jennie, born Dec. 1, 1897; Ralph, born Nov. 20, 1899; Guy born Nov. 19, 1901; Walter, born Jan 26, 1903; and Ernest Elwin, born Jan. 26, 1907.

Jennie married in 1885, Seymour Way, a farmer of Peru. She has four children: George E., born Aug. 22, 1887; Jennie E., born May 28, 1889; Mae A., born Feb. 4, 1898; and Gerald, born July 11, 1900.

Minnie married William Reed, a farmer, and they live in Fairbury, Ill. She has children, at least, Hazel and Claude.

Cora is not married.

Martha married William Nash, of Peru, N. Y., and they live in Peasleeville. She has at least two children, William and Raymond.

46. John Edward Whitney (44) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Mar. 20, 1838. He married first, Jane Thompson, a daughter of William Thompson and Mary Ruth Alford; second a widow by the name of Jennie King; and third, a woman by the name of Horton. He is supposed to be now (1908) living in Fairbury, Neb., but a letter addressed there brought no reply. He had two children by his first wife:

Anna;
Emma, d., aged 24 years.

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* See page 117.

It is not known whether he has any other children or not.

Anna married Wesley Frescone, a lawyer and afterward a minister. They have three children: Jennie, Eddie, and another whose name is not known.

47. MARY ELIZABETH WHITNEY (44) was born July 6, 1841, in Peasleeville, N. Y. She married, Apr. 9, 1864, William Denton who was born July 28, 1839, a son of Truman Denton and Lucy Ann Kilmer. He is a farmer and he and his wife are now (1907) living in Peasleeville, N. Y. Mary has had two children:

Ida Louisa, bo. Oct. 25, 1865; d. in Feb. 1869;
Edith Elizabeth, bo. Sept. 24, 1869.

Edith married, June 21, 1896, Patrick Henry Duffy who was born Aug. 21, 1871, a son of Patrick Duffy and Kate ———. They live with her father in Peasleeville. She has no children.

48. EARL IRA WHITNEY (44) was born Dec. 10, 1844. He married, Jan. 31, 1868, Mary Elizabeth Banker who was born June 3, 1847, a daughter of Ezra Turner Banker and Sarah Kent.* Earl and his wife were second and third cousins. He was a farmer and lived in Peasleeville, N. Y., where he died Dec. 27, 1901. His widow is still living there. They had one child:

Nellie Lee, bo. Nov. 17, 1870.

Nellie married, July 2, 1892, Willis Henry Eells who was born Feb. 9, 1867, a son of William Eells and Eliza Ann Wescott. Mr. Eells is a farmer and they live in Peasleeville. They have one child, Ennowilla Ferne, born Nov. 1, 1893.

49. VINAL E. WHITNEY (44) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1850. He married, June 17, 1871, Deborah Ricketson, a daughter of Howland Ricketson and Mary Putnam. He was a farmer and went west with his son in 1897 and is now living retired from business in Tacoma, Washington. He has three children:

John R., bo. July 5, 1875;
Myrtle E., bo. Nov. 29, 1878;
Rachel, bo. May 29, 1885.

John married, Mar. 4, 1896, Maud L. McCullough who was born Sept. 2, 1877, a daughter of Ira McCullough and Ellen

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* See page 115.

Boyer. He was a farmer, and after his marriage he lived for a year in Cropsey, Ill., then from 1895 to 1901 in Genoa, Ill., since then he has lived in Seattle, Wash. He has two children: Vinal Ira, born Feb. 13, 1897, and Mildred, born July 25, 1900.

Myrtle married, Nov. 27, 1902, Ralph N. Reed, a farmer, and they live at 715 N. 43d St., Seattle, Wash. She has three children; Roberta, Alice, and Ralph W.

Rachel married Louis C. Roraback and they live at 124 Cremona St., Seattle, Wash.

50. Lucinda Whitney (44) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1852. She married, July 4, 1875, Archelus Putnam, a son of Aaron Putnam and Jane——. He is a farmer and they live in Peasleeville. They have three children as follows:

Minnie Jane, bo. Feb. 1, 1877;
Herman A., bo. May 7, 1879;
Sadie Maud, bo. Oct. 1, 1882.

Minnie married in Sept. 1892, Henry A. Norton, a son of Frank Norton and Mary——. He is a mail-carrier and they live in Plattsburgh, N. Y. Minnie has one child, Gladys, born May 8, 1894.

Herman married Libbie Disco, June 1, 1891. He is a farmer in Peasleeville and has one child, Lola M., born Oct. 8, 1892.

Sadie is not married and is a salesgirl in Plattsburgh.

51. Edward White Banker (40) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Sept. 10, 1820, and married, Dec. 29, 1841, Charlotte Minkler, who was born July 15, 1825, a daughter of Beriah Minkler and Rachel Van Vliet. She was a sister of the wife of his brother Benjamin.* Edward was a farmer at Chazy, N. Y., until 1853 when he moved to Boston and lived in Roxbury, Mass., until 1862. He then moved to Chicago, Ill., and engaged in the paint and oil business. His wife died Mar. 21, 1906, and he died Jan. 16, 1907, at the home of his daughter Mrs. Tubbs, in Chicago. He had six children as follows:

Benson Beriah, bo. Mar. 19, 1843;
George L., bo. July 6, 1844;
Emma, bo. Aug. 1845; d. in 1876;
Adelaide, bo. Aug. 1846; d. in Dec. 1866;

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* See page 72.

Henrietta J., bo. Oct. 2, 1850;
Mary, bo. Apr. 23, 1863.

Benson B. married, Sept. 18, 1873, Alice A. Van Vliet who was born July 2, 1847, and died Dec. 28, 1904. She was a cousin of Hiram Van Vliet.* Benson was educated in the Grammar, High, and Latin Schools of Roxbury, Mass., and finally graduated at Harvard College in 1866. He enlisted in the Civil War as a private and served one hundred days in the 12th Unattached Massachusetts Vol. Inf. His occupation is that of an accountant and he lived in New York until 1873, then in Canada, and since 1881 he has lived in Boston, Mass. He has five children: Mildred, born Oct. 20, 1874; Elizabeth C., born Dec. 25, 1875; Lyman Van Vliet, born Sept. 30, 1877; Adelaide, born Nov. 21, 1881; and William F., born Dec. 27, 1883.

George lives in Coxsackie, N. Y., but nothing further was learned of his family.

Henrietta J. went west with her father and married, Dec. 25, 1876, Henry L. Tubbs who was born Nov. 3, 1849, a son of the Rev. James Tubbs and Mary Ann Barton. Mr. Tubbs is a railroad employee and they live in Chicago, Ill. Henrietta's children are: Edward J., born Dec. 25, 1878; Roland H., born Mar. 9, 1881; Mabel B., born Mar. 9, 1883; and Bessie, born Oct. 9, 1891.

Mary is living in Western Springs, Ill.

52. Elias Banker (40) was born in Peru, N. Y., Aug. 28, 1822. He married first Mary Ackley at Plattsburgh, N. Y., March 17, 1847. She was born in Granville, Washington Co., N. Y., July 19, 1822, and was a daughter of Joseph Ackley and Ann ——, formerly Mrs. Ann Bates, the marriage being a second one on both sides. Mr. Ackley owned large interests in Granville at that time, a farm, a sawmill, a gristmill, and a brewery. Elias Banker was a farmer and after his marriage he lived for five years in Champlain, N. Y., then moved to Fort Ann, N. Y., where he lived for the next five years. He then moved to Granville, N. Y., his wife's early home. She died here Oct. 31, 1860, and in the fall of 1861 he went to Chicago. Here he met and married as his second wife Mrs. Irena W. Mead, May 25, 1863. Her

* See page 72.

maiden name was Irena Whortley Vaughan and she was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1828, a daughter of Henry Vaughan* and Mary Johnson Whortley†. She married first James Nemiah Mead at West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1850. He died at Easton, Washington Co., N. Y., Aug. 17, 1858, aged 33 years. In September, 1861, Mrs. Mead moved to Chicago to live with her brother, Alexander Vaughan, and there married Elias Banker as mentioned. She had one daughter by her first husband, Louisa Almeda, born at West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Aug. 14, 1855. This daughter married Louis M. Padgett. They had no children but adopted an orphan boy named Lyman. Louisa died at Western Springs, Ill., Jan. 8, 1898. She was badly burned when her house took fire and died from the effects.

After his second marriage Elias moved to Fullersburg, Du Page Co., Ill., where he lived for two years. He bought a farm in 1863 where Hinsdale, Ill., now stands and was one of the founders of that town. Fullersburg was then a rough frontier town on the old government plank toll road, now Ogden Ave., in Chicago. The first railroad on the west side of the city, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, was then being built. For his building operations in Hinsdale he had to haul all material and supplies from Chicago across the open prairie. He had to pay $22 a ton for coal in Chicago, it being war times. He died July 15, 1908, at Western Springs, Ill. His children by his first marriage were:

Joseph Ackley, bo. July 31, 1849;
John W., bo. Nov. 24, 1853;
Mary Jane, bo. Jan. 6, 1857; d. Jan. 18, 1857.

By his second marriage he had:

Edward Elias, bo. July 25, 1864; d. Aug. 14, 1864;
Carrie Iola, bo. Dec. 14, 1866;
Herbert Elias, bo. May 10, 1868; d. Aug. 15, 1868;
Hattie Irena, bo. May 10, 1868; d. Sept. 2, 1868;
Howard Emerson, bo. May 1, 1870.

Joseph A. was born in Granville, N. Y. When ten years old he went to Boston, Mass., and in 1864 he went west and has

* He was born in New York state and died in Chicago, Dec. 7, 1870, aged 72 years 5 months 26 days. He was a brother of Nathan A. Vaughan (See page 137.)

† She was born in New Hampshire and died at Friendship, Wis., March 4, 1879, aged 74 yrs. 9 mos. 1day.

lived in the vicinity of Chicago ever since. He is a farmer and now (1905) lives at Western Springs, Ill. He married first, June 8, 1886, Dora Hulanisky, who was born in Chicago June 11, 1862, a daughter of Julian Hulanisky. She died Aug. 20, 1893, and Joseph then married for his second wife, Dec. 29, 1895, Lucy Kirk Welch who was born in Blandinsville, Ill., Oct. 30, 1859, a daughter of James Welch and Mahala ——. Joseph has had two children, both by his first wife; Aura Ackley, born Jan. 18, 1891, and Julian Joseph, born June 25, 1893. Both died young.

John W., was born at Dewey's Bridge, Washington Co., N. Y. He went to Chicago with his father, and on Aug. 5, 1880, married Eugenie Haight who was born Jan. 2, 1858, a daughter of A. D. Haight and Marion Avery. In 1882 he removed to New York and was with his uncle, George W., in the patent can business for sixteen years. Since then he has been in the paper and twine business and is located at 73 Warren St., New York City. He resides in Cranford, Union Co., N. J. He has two children; Leslie Avery, born Sept. 8, 1887, and Harold Ackley, born July 23, 1893.

Carrie was the first child born in Hinsdale, Ill. She was a fine pianist and an artist in oil colors and china painting. She married Adelor J. Petit, a lawyer of Chicago, Aug. 16, 1893, and resided on Spaulding Ave. in Chicago until her death a few weeks later, Sept. 4, 1893.

Howard was educated at the Lyons Township High School and the Armour Institute of Chicago. He married, Aug. 20, 1896, Emma Moore who was born in Boone county, Ky., Dec. 10, 1869, a daughter of James Moore and Margaret Ann Banker*, the latter being a half sister of Elias Banker. After his marriage Howard was with the Vive Camera Co., of Chicago for three years, then for five years with the American Electric Telephone Co., of Chicago, and is now Telephone Engineer of the Western Electric Co., of Chicago. He resides in Western Springs, Ill. He has no children.

53. Margaret Ann Banker (40) was born in Mt. Gilead, Morrow Co., Ohio, Aug. 2, 1836. She married first Robert Scott, a son of the Rev. Robert Scott, a Baptist minister of Boone county, Ky. He was a farmer and they lived in Boone county. After

* See page 80.

his death Margaret married second, Nov. 8, 1866, James S. Moore who was born in Boone county, Mar. 11, 1823, a son of John H. Moore and Emily Rogers.* James Moore was a farmer and lived in Boone county all his life. Margaret died July 8, 1873, and James married for his second wife, in September, 1881, Mrs. Lina McConnell, *née* Davis. He had no children by this marriage. He died Apr. 12, 1891, having been blind for twelve years. His widow is still living (1908). Margaret had two children by her first husband:

John Wayne, bo. June 5, 1857;

54. Allah Etta.

By her second husband she had five children:

Virginia, bo. 1867; died young;

Emma Mary, bo. Dec. 10, 1869;

Jerry William, bo. Mar. 26, 1871; d. Mar. 18, 1899, unmarried;

James, bo. —, 1873; died young;

Margaret Pearl, bo. Apr. 11, 1875.

John W. married, Sept. 20, 1880, Lulah A. Rich who was born Dec. 19, 1860, a daughter of Joseph L. Rich and Rebecca C. ——. He lives at 222 West Villa St., Pasadena, Cal., and is engaged in the furniture business. He has had three children: Arthur Robert, born Mar. 8, 1882, and died Mar. 19, 1901; Merle Richard, born Jan. 13, 1886; and Stella Wayne, born Nov. 20, 1893, and died Apr. 1, 1894.

Emma was for a time a teacher in the Stanford Female College, Stanford, Ky. She afterward married her half-cousin, Howard E. Banker. For further record see page 79.

Margaret married at Cincinnati, Ohio, Apr. 13, 1896, Harry Leslie Harrison, the youngest son of William Henry Harrison and a brother of Montgomery P. Harrison who married Margaret's half-sister, Allah. Harry is a farmer in Boone county, Ky. Margaret has had three children: Clara Irene, born Jan. 7, 1897; Lawrence, born July 8, 1905, and died young; and Raymond Leslie, born Nov. 15, 1906.

54. Allah Etta Scott (53) was born in Boone county, Ky., and married, Feb. 8, 1876, Montgomery Pike Harrison, a son of William Henry Harrison and a great-grandson of President

* She was a sister of Judge Rogers of Lexington.

William Henry Harrison. He is also a first cousin of President Benjamin Harrison. He was a farmer in Kentucky, then moved to Oklahoma, and is now (1908) in the grain and feed business in Oklahoma City, Okl. Allah died in January, 1887. She had five children as follows:

William Scott, bo. Dec. 6, 1876; d. Apr. 13, 1896;
Margaret Alvirah, bo. June 3, 1879;
Oliver Pike, bo. Nov. 30, 1880;
Clarence Willis, bo. Oct. 6, 1882;
Earle Leslie, bo. Nov. 17, 1886.

Margaret married, in March, 1902, Charles B. Hughes, a freight agent for the Frisco System in Oklahoma City, Okl., and they live at 809 West Washington Ave. She has two children: Harrison Bronston, born July 27, 1903, and Irene Esther, born Dec. 1, 1905.

Oliver is not married and is in the railroad business in Oklahoma City and lives at 509 Reno Ave.

Clarence is studying for the ministry in the Christian Church at the Bible School in the State University at Lexington, Ky.

Earle is in the lumber business in Oklahoma City and lives at 509 Reno Ave. He is not married.

55. BENJAMIN BANKER (39) was born Apr. 5, 1790,* and married Roxana Kingman. He moved to Tompkins county, N. Y., at an early date and in 1836 went to Will county, Ill., where he died soon after. He was a farmer and had the following children:

Sarah;
Chloe C., bo. Sept. 13, 1821;
56. Martha, bo. Aug. 27, 1823;
57. Mary, bo. Oct. 17, 1826;
58. Benjamin A., bo. Aug. 10, 1829;
59. William.

Sarah is said to have been the eldest, but nothing is known about her.†

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* One report gives the date as 1780.

† One correspondent says that there was no Sarah, but gives in addition the names of Eliza and Phylura, stating that Eliza was the eldest and married Palmer, "died in 1852 and left a son Theron." This seems to confound Eliza with both Chloe and Sarah. Perhaps the name of the eldest was Sarah Eliza. Phylura is said to have died young.

Chloe married Phineas Palmer, a carpenter and contractor, Nov. 22, 1842. She died July 16, 1852, and Phineas afterward married her sister Martha. Chloe had one child: Theron Hawley, born Feb. 15, 1846. He is said to be living in Arizona.

56. Martha Banker (55) was born Aug. 27, 1823. She married first a man by the name of Paddock, but no particulars are known of this marriage. It is said that he died on board ship of yellow fever and that his brother-in-law, Phineas Palmer, was with him. After the death of her first husband, Martha married, Feb. 16, 1854, Phineas Palmer, who had been the husband of her sister Chloe. He was born Oct. 10, 1820, and died May 5, 1894. Martha died Nov. 19, 1893. She had two children as follows:

Rose Amelia, bo. Oct. 10, 1856;
Mary Adelaide, bo. Apr. 13, 1859.

Rose married, May 9, 1878, John Q. Lindsley in Painesville, Ohio. He was for a number of years a commercial traveler in Pennsylvania and they lived in Greenville, Pa., for five years, then for two years in Linesville, Pa., then for a few months in Cleveland, Ohio, and finally moved to Harbor Springs, Mich., in August, 1885, where they were still living in 1903. Mr. Lindsley and his son George conduct a fruit and vegetable farm. Rose has had three children: Ada May, born Apr. 26, 1880, and died June 9, 1892; George Warner, born Dec. 5, 1883; and Louise Palmer, born Nov. 15, 1885.

Mary married Joseph Dickey, a son of Robert Dickey and Matilda Cooper, Dec. 1, 1879. He is a hardware merchant and they live in Greenville, Pa. Mary has had three children: Rose Marie, born June 29, 1881; Rebecca Palmer, born Feb. 3, 1884; and Clara Cooper, born Dec. 30, 1886.

57. Mary Banker (55) was born Oct. 17, 1826. She married first George Wyatt and second Micajah L. Adams. She died in Joliet, Ill., May 19, 1904. She had by her first husband one daughter:

Emma, bo. Sept. 5, 1848.

By her second husband she had three sons:

George Eugene, bo. May 26, 1852; d. Nov. 21, 1865;
Charles Edward, bo. Dec. 15, 1855;
William Benjamin, bo. Aug. 18, 1859.

Emma is not married and keeps a boarding house in Joliet, Ill.

Charles married, Dec. 3, 1889, Christina Robertson, a daughter of Robert Robertson and Margaret ———. He is engaged in the boot and shoe business in Joliet, Ill., and has one child: Helen Margaret, born Apr. 3, 1891.

William married, Mar. 3, 1883, Jennie Louise Harper, who was born Mar. 3, 1863, a daughter of William Harper and Jane ———. He is overseer in the Wire Mills at Joliet. He has had four children: Fred Ray, born Feb. 1, 1884; Myrtle Louise, born Feb. 25, 1886; Hazel Irene, born June 30, 1891; Roland Harper, born Mar. 1, 1899, died Dec. 27, 1904.

58. Benjamin A. Banker (55) was born in Tompkins county, N. Y., Aug. 10, 1829. He married, Feb. 17, 1850, Elizabeth Worline, who was born Apr. 15, 1833, in Delaware county, Ohio, and was a daughter of Henry Worline and Eliza ———. She died Aug. 27, 1901. Benjamin was a carpenter and lived most of his life in Delaware county, Ohio. He was captain of Co. A, 121st Regiment, Ohio Vol. Inf. and served through the Civil War. He was with Sherman in his march to the sea. He died in Findlay, Ohio, Jan. 13, 1896. He had children as follows:

Gideon Gustavus, bo. Dec. 25, 1850;
Mary Eliza, bo. June 2, 1853;
William Henry, bo. Mar. 26, 1856; d. Mar. 8, 1891,* unmar.
Flaura, bo. Jan. 9, 1859;
James Roberts, bo. May 31, 1866.

Gideon G. graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in the class of 1873, became a lawyer, and was elected Judge of Probate Court of Hancock County, Ohio, in November, 1902. He has been brought into considerable prominence through his connection as presiding judge in the recent proceedings against the Standard Oil Co. He married first, in November, 1877, Annetta V. Cummins, from whom he was divorced in 1896. He then married second, Jan. 1, 1907, Amanda Platt, who was born Dec. 6, 1867, a daughter of Geo. Platt and Eva Faulk. Judge Banker lives in Findlay, Ohio. He had two children by his

* Also given as Mar. 4, 1892.

first wife: Mary, born Feb. 11, 1879; and Paul Edgar, born Sept. 12, 1880. Both are living in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mary was born in Cardington, Ohio. She graduated from the Homœopathic College of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1886 and married, Oct. 16, 1889, Thomas J. Ray, who was born Oct. 13, 1846, a son of Allen Ray and Catharine Welch. He is a railroad man and they lived in Houston, Tex., from 1889 to 1900 and since then in Tecumseh, Okla. Mary has one child, Elizabeth Worline, born Nov. 6, 1896.

Flaura married Thomas H. McConica, a lawyer of Findlay, Ohio, and has two sons: John Banker, born Sept. 4, 1887, who is a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University; and Thomas Henry, born Sept. 20, 1889.

James married first Elizabeth Sage. She died in childbirth and he has married again. He is employed with Armour and Company in Chicago, Ill.

59. William Bankir (55) was born in Tompkins county, N. Y. He was a carpenter and married, Jan. 6, 1858, Elizabeth James. They afterwards separated and he married again and went to Kansas, where he had a considerable family by his second wife. Nothing further is known of him except that he died in Kansas. His first wife died in May, 1907, in South Woodbury, Ohio. I have found no trace of his second family, but by his first wife he had two children:

Dora, bo. 1859; died aged 10 years;
Arthur L., bo. Oct. 29, 1860.

Arthur graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in 1884. After graduation he was superintendent of the Union Schools in Cardington, Ohio, until he was elected probate judge of Morrow county in 1893. He died in office Mar. 13, 1896. He married in 1889 Clara Kreis, who is still living at 190 West 9th St., Columbus, Ohio. He had two children: Ruth V., born Aug. 29, 1893; and Monie I., born June 4, 1895.

60. Jonathan Banker (39) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Aug. 4, 1800. He married, Mar. 20, 1823, Susannah Morrison, who was born Feb. 11, 1800, a daughter of Robert Morrison and Elizabeth Rice. Mr. Banker was a farmer and lived in

Peasleeville, N. Y., all his life. He died Feb. 9, 1875, and his wife died in September, 1877. He had children as follows:

61. Robert Morrison, bo. Jan. 18, 1824;
    Huldah Peaslee, bo. July 10, 1826; d. June 29, 1857; unmarried;
    Jonathan Melvin, bo. Feb. 23, 1834;
    Samuel, bo. June 16, 1836; d. Dec. 16, 1836.

Jonathan married, Sept. 26, 1866, Cordelia Phillips, who was born Dec. 22, 1841, a daughter of Signor Phillips and Olive Allen. He is a farmer and has always lived in Peasleeville, N. Y. He and his wife were both living in 1907. They have no children.

61. Robert Morrison Banker (60) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Jan. 18, 1824. He married, May 12, 1851, Cordelia Gardner. He was a farmer and merchant at Saranac Lake, N. Y., where he died about 1896. His wife died in March, 1905. He had two children:

Emma;
Eddie T.

Emma married Charles Hickok, a merchant in Bloomingdale, N. Y., where she is still living, and has several children. Her husband is dead.

Eddie married Carrie Hathaway. He was killed by the cars near Plattsburgh. His wife, who was sick, died the same night without knowing of her husband's death. They had one son, Guy, who was born about 1882.

62. Elias Banker (39) was born Oct. 16, 1803, and married, Jan. 1, 1829, Mary Morrison, who was born July 26, 1812,* a daughter of Robert Morrison and Elizabeth Rice. She was a sister of Susannah Morrison (q. v. page 84). Elias lived in Peasleeville, N. Y., where he is said to have died Aug. 13, 1851. After his death his widow married again, Feb. 17, 1858, Cyrus Eddy, and in the fall of the same year moved to Maple Grove, Minn., where she died Dec. 13, 1905. There were no children by this second marriage. Cyrus Eddy was a widower. He was

* Given in one report as 1811.

born Apr. 16, 1803, and died Apr. 6, 1877. Elias had the following children:

63. Andy Morrison, bo. Jan. 4, 1831;
64. Silas Rice, bo. May 8, 1833;
Horace Beach, bo. Apr. 19, 1835;
Elizabeth R., bo. Dec. 6, 1837;
William Russel, bo. June 9, 1841; d Apr. 14, 1842;
Jane M., bo. June 22, 1843;
Daniel Webster, bo. Dec. 15, 1847;
Robert Thurman, bo. Oct. 6, 1850.

Horace married, Jan. 18, 1872, Mary L. Morton. He was a bookkeeper and lived in Des Moines, Iowa, until 1869, and from that date until his death, Apr. 14, 1904, he lived in Minneapolis, Minn. He had four children: May Lucile, who was born July 17, 1873, and is now a teacher in Minneapolis; Edna Jeanette, who was born Apr. 25, 1881, and died July 11, 1886; Ruby Grace, who was born Aug. 25, 1883, and died July 8, 1886; and Ruth Katharine, who was born Aug. 15, 1886, and married Willis Grinnell, May 1, 1907.

Elizabeth married a Blackmer and died in Orwell, Vt., June 22, 1906.

Jane married, May 8, 1867, H. C. Webster, a dry-goods merchant. They lived for some years in Brandon, Vt., and later in Montpelier. Mr. Webster died July 12, 1897. He was thrown from his carriage and broke his neck being instantly killed. Mrs. Webster is now living in Windsor, Vt. She has had three children: Mary Eugenia, born Oct. 2, 1868, and now living with her mother; Carlton Thayer, born Aug. 6, 1871, and died Mar. 12, 1888; and Blanch, born —— 27, 1877, and died Sept. 17, 1877.

Daniel was born in Peasleeville, Clinton county, N. Y., and went west with his mother in 1858 to Maple Grove, Minn. He became a farmer and lived there and at Osseo until 1877, and since that time he has lived chiefly at Redwood Falls, where he is now living. He married first, Dec. 24, 1871, Ellis Mary Pike, who was born Aug 21, 1853, a daughter of Moses K. Pike and Emma J. Barnard. She died May 1, 1902, and he married second, Sept. 5, 1906, Mrs. Ora (Van Dolah) Shaver, who was born Dec. 5, 1868, a daughter of Thomas T. Van Dolah and Abbie Dunton. Daniel has had two children: Fred Moses, born

Aug. 28, 1873, and Emma Mary, born Aug. 18, 1878. Fred married, Oct. 25, 1899, Maggie Dennistoun, who was born July 2, 1876, a daughter of Thomas Dennistoun and Margaret Miller. He is a farmer and has lived most of his life at Redwood Falls. He has one child, Horace Dennistoun, born June 21, 1905. Emma married, Oct. 8, 1903, Raleigh Ernest Jennings, who was born Dec. 4, 1877, a son of Cyrus B. Jennings and Orpha G. Root. Her husband is a stenographer. Since her marriage she has lived at Morgan, Minn., for five years, and now lives at 769 East 7th St., St. Paul, Minn. She has no children.

Robert moved west with his mother in 1858 and settled in Minnesota, where he is now living in Ossee. He married Nov. 10, 1879, Carrie M. Esty, who was born Sept. 27, 1856, a daughter of Hiram Esty and Sarah A. McKillip.* He has always been a farmer and has two children: Leila N., born Nov. 1, 1884, and Harry D., born Jan. 29, 1887.

63. Andy Morrison Banker (62) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1831, and went west about 1860. He married, Dec. 15, 1864, Mary J. Senear, a daughter of Steven Senear and Eliza A. Penner. He is a farmer and now resides in Maple Grove, Minn. His children are:

Charles E., bo. Aug. 6, 1867;
Bertha E., bo. Nov. 5, 1869;
Elizabeth, bo. May 17, 1871;
Melvin, bo. Aug. 28, 1872;
Minnie J., bo. Sept. 26, 1874.

Charles married, May 3, 1893, Minnie M. Parker, a daughter of Israel Parker and Sarah Goodale. He is a farmer and has lived all his life in Maple Grove, Minn. He has four children: Alice M., born Mar. 2, 1894; Earl P., born Aug. 25, 1896; Marion, born June 16, 1899; and Archie, born May 21, 1905.

Bertha married, Apr. 7, 1896, Frank Peterson, a son of Silas Noyes Peterson and Mary Holmes Whiting. Mr. Peterson is a Methodist minister and they live at Emmet, N. D. Bertha has four children: Jennie M., born Aug. 31, 1897; Jerome E., born Sept. 23, 1898; Vincent O. F., born Feb. 23, 1902; and Dorcas E., born Dec. 7, 1904.

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* Sarah was a sister of Phoebe McKillip who married Robert's brother, Silas. See page 88.

Elizabeth married, Nov. 27, 1888, Herbert Roberts, a son of Oren Roberts and Cynthia Maltby. Mr. Roberts is a farmer and they live at Buffalo, Minn. They have seven children: Mable E., born Apr. 20, 1891; Oren A., born July 16, 1892; Clarence C., born Feb. 16, 1894; Leon M., born Apr. 18, 1896; Amy, R., born Sept. 23, 1898; Florence M., born Mar. 18, 1903, died Jan. 24, 1904; and Floyd F., born Sept. 19, 1905.

Melvin married, Dec. 27, 1893, Bessie B. Morrill, a daughter of Ichabod Morrill and Eva L. McAbe. He is a farmer and lives at Osseo, Minn. He has no children.

Minnie married, June 25, 1902, Clarence T. March, a son of Thomas March and Jane C. Bloomer. Her husband is a farmer and they live in Redwood Falls, Minn. She has one son, Charles Thomas, born Dec. 1, 1906.

64. Silas Rice Banker (62) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., May 8, 1833. He married, Apr. 17, 1856, Phoebe McKillip, who was born Dec. 3, 1829, a daughter of David McKillip and Sabina ———. He is a farmer and lived until 1880 in Peru, N. Y.; since then he has lived in Minneapolis, Minn. His wife died Dec. 2, 1891. He has had three children:

Minnie S., bo. Nov. 5, 1857;
Fannie, bo. July 26, 1865; d. July 10, 1870;
Nellie, bo. Aug. 8, 1868.

Minnie married, Oct. 10, 1887, George L. Dingman, a traveling salesman, and they live at 2315 Lincoln St., N. E., Minneapolis. She has one son, George Banker, born Aug. 21, 1897.

Nellie married, Nov. 25, 1890, Lorenzo J. R. Rutherford, who was born July 1, 1864. He is a salesman and they live at 1016 27th Ave., N. E., Minneapolis. She has three children: Silas J., born Feb. 5, 1893; Richard H., born June 30, 1896; and Lorenzo L., born June 2, 1907.

65. Huldah Banker (39) was born June 12, 1805, in Peru, Clinton Co., N. Y. She married, June 12, 1823, William Jenkins Peaslee, a son of Abraham Peaslee* and Maria Phoebe Jenkins. They were married in Peru, N. Y., then went to Peas-

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* Abraham Peaslee was a descendant of Joseph Peaslee who emigrated from England in the 17th Century and settled in Haverhill, Mass. The old homestead built of brick brought from England is said to be still standing. John. G. Whittier was a descendant of Joseph through his daughter Mary.

leeville, but soon moved west and settled in Shelbyville, Ind., and finally in Indianapolis. He was a lawyer and became a circuit judge of Indiana. He is said to have died July 12, 1868. Huldah probably died Aug. 17, 1891, but one correspondent gives the date of her death as Jan. 18, 1890. As both dates are given by her own children it is difficult to decide which is correct. Huldah had nine children as follows:

Washington Abraham, died;
66. Ruth Maria, bo. Oct. 6, 1828;
Helen;
Phoebe Ann;
67. Mary Jane, bo. May 15, 1833;
Rebecca Ann;
Ira;
Amos;
Kate B.

Rebecca seems to have married and gone to Los Angeles, Cal. Ira is believed to be living in Winston, Mo., and Kate is said to be at Hamilton, Mo. Letters addressed to these brought no reply. Nothing is known of the others except Ruth and Mary.

66. Ruth Maria Peaslee (65) was born Oct. 6, 1828, and married, Mar. 29, 1852, John Elliott, a son of James Elliott and Hannah Williamson.* He was born June 12, 1818, and was a banker in Shelbyville, Ind. They afterward removed to Los Angeles, Cal., where they were living in 1903. Ruth had three children as follows:

James Peaslee, bo. July 4, 1860; d. Sept. 16, 1884;
George Sprague, d Feb. 1, 1864;
June, bo. June 9, 1863.

June married, Oct. 2, 1889, Harry Lincoln Sayler, who was born Feb. 13, 1863, a son of Solomon Sayler and Mary Weaver. Harry graduated from De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind., in 1885. They live at 7134 Euclid Ave., Chicago, Ill., where he is manager of the City Press Bureau. June has two children: John Elliott Daniel, born Aug. 21, 1890, and Margaret, born Mar. 30, 1895.

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* James Elliott was born in Wilmington, Del., Aug. 5, 1792, and died in Shelbyville, Ind., Aug. 20, 1873. Hannah Williamson was born in Philadelphia, Pa., May 30, 1795, and died June 9, 1843. They were married in Philadelphia, May 7, 1816.

67. Mary Jane Peaslee (65) was born May 15, 1833, and married, Apr. 15, 1851, Stephen Hughes, who was born July 8, 1823, a son of Stephen Hughes and Catharine Gabie. He was a manufacturer of the Hughes bran duster. They lived in Hamilton, Ohio, where he died Feb. 16, 1895. Mary had seven children as follows:

Henry, bo. Feb. 14, 1853; d. Sept. 10, 1857;
Charles William, bo. Oct. 29, 1854;
Addie, bo. Sept. 7, 1856; d. Jan. 29, 1865;
Robert Stephen, bo. June 10, 1859.
Emma Bell, bo. Mar. 16, 1861;
Hannah M., bo. 1865;
George Banker, bo. Mar. 4, 1866.

Charles and George were unmarried in 1903.

Robert married Sallie Robertson and lived for a time in Hamilton, Ohio, but was living in Beaver Falls, Pa., in 1903.

Emma married, July 14, 1892, John W. Hargitt. They are living in Liberty, Ind., and have two children: Mary Bell, born Mar. 27, 1893; and Waldron, born Nov. 12, 1898.

Hannah married, July 8, 1887, George W. Bristol, who conducted a mercantile agency. They separated June 18, 1893, and were finally divorced Dec. 24, 1898, at Milwaukee, Wis. She is now living in New York City, and is a member of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, having been admitted Apr. 14, 1899. She has no children.

CHAPTER VII.

THE NEWCOMB FAMILY.*

68. Lucretia Banker (38) was probably born in Dutchess county, N. Y., Dec. 3, 1762. She married Kinner Newcomb at Nine Partners in Dutchess county, Jan. 15, 1784. He was born Aug. 17, 1756, at Nine Partners and was a son of Cyrenius Newcomb. He was a soldier of the Revolution, enlisting first in a company of Melancton Smith's Rangers in June, 1776. The next year he enlisted in Capt. John Rouse's Company in Col. Graham's Regiment, which was attached to Gen. Glover's brigade and took part in the Burgoyne campaign. He afterward served in several regiments including the 2nd and 5th of the New York Line. While in Capt. Rosekran's Company of the latter regiment under Col. Lewis Dubois, he was detailed as "waiter" to the Colonel at Poughkeepsie during the latter's illness in October, 1779. He drew 600 acres of land for his services in the war and was a pensioner under the Act of 1828. A very full account of his Revolutionary service will be found in the Genealogy of the Newcomb Family. He received his final discharge from the army in January, 1782, and two years later married Lucretia. The next year they removed to Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., N. Y., being among the first ten actual settlers of the town. To encourage settlement in the new town ten gift lots of land were distributed to the first ten settlers, and other prizes were offered, among which was fifty acres of land to the first male child born in the town. This last went to Platt Newcomb, the first-born child of Lucretia.

Kinner Newcomb was for many years a judge of the county courts. In 1808-09 he was a member of the state Assembly for Clinton and Franklin counties. He commanded the first company of militia organized in Plattsburgh, and during the War of 1812 was in command of a company of "Silver Greys."

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* This chapter contains the records of the descendants of both Lucretia Banker and her sister Rebecca as each of them married Newcombs, the two sisters marrying two brothers.

Lucretia died Mar. 4, 1830, and Kinner married second Olive Beckwith, July 1, 1830. He had no children by this second marriage and died in Plattsburgh Feb. 6, 1840. His widow died June 4, 1854, aged 74 years. Lucretia had two children:

69. Platt, bo. Nov. 1, 1785;
Levi.

Levi was drowned when a boy.

69. Platt Newcomb (68) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1785, being the first white male child born in the town,* in consequence of which he received fifty acres of land as a prize. He graduated from Union College in 1808, being the first of the descendants of Laurens Bancker to receive a college education. He served in the War of 1812, as orderly under Capt. Seth Sherry in the 36th Regiment commanded by Col. Thomas Miller. He was in a skirmish party at Beekmantown in advance of the British when they marched on Plattsburgh in 1814. He helped tear up the bridge at Plattsburgh and was stationed in the river Saranac at the time of the battle to prevent the crossing of the British. He was also adjutant on Gen. B. Mover's staff of the New York militia and was commissioned inspector of the 42nd Brigade. He represented the counties of Clinton and Franklin in two sessions of the State Assembly, 1820-21.

Platt married, May 13, 1810, Ruth Scribner,† a daughter of Levi Scribner and Esther Hubbard. She was born in Norfolk or Norwalk, Conn., July 28, 1788, and removed with her parents to Plattsburgh in 1807. She died Mar. 3, 1862. Major Newcomb was living on the fifty acres of gift land in West Plattsburgh at his death July 8, 1871,‡ and his descendants still occupy the land. He had children as follows:

Kinner Scribner, bo. Feb. 18, 1811; drowned May 25, 1830;
70. Angelina Lucretia, bo. Oct. 20, 1813;
Levi Platt, bo. June 11, 1821;
Sarah Esther, bo. June 3, 1828;
Julia Kezia, bo. Apr. 16, 1830.

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* There was a girl born prior to his appearance.
† Her brother Jeremiah married Eleanor Banker. See page 106.
‡ The Newcomb Genealogy says August.

Levi married, Nov. 18, 1858, Emilia L. Barber, a daughter of Salmon Barber* and Mary Felt. She was born in Beekmantown, N. Y., and died in Plattsburgh Dec. 16, 1865. Levi is a farmer and lived in Plattsburgh until 1872, then he removed to Foxvale, Mass. He returned in 1907 and now lives with his sister Julia on the original fifty acre tract given to his father. He has had one daughter, who died young.

Sarah married, Dec. 24, 1857, Amos Barber, a son of Amos Barber† by his second wife. He was thus a half-brother of Salmon Barber, the father of Emilia, who married Levi above. Amos was a farmer and was born in Beekmantown, but afterward removed to Plattsburgh. Sarah died July 7, 1866. She had two children, of whom Clarissa Marcena is the only one living. She is unmarried and is a Deaconess at 693 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, Mass.

Julia is unmarried and is living with her brother Levi on the old homestead at West Plattsburgh.

70. Angelina Lucretia Newcomb (69) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Oct. 20, 1813. She married, Apr. 29, 1838, Samuel Newcomb, a son of Dr. Samuel Newcomb and Josepht Stubinger. He was born in Boucherville, Lower Canada, Aug. 13, 1813, but removed to Plattsburgh in 1837, where he resided until his death May 3, 1891. Dr. Samuel Newcomb was a son of Cyrenius, the brother of Kinner, so that Samuel and Angelina were second cousins. Angelina died Mar. 26, 1904. She had the following children:

Kinner Samuel, bo. Dec. 19, 1838;
George Henry, bo. Nov. 11, 1840;
Platt, bo. Nov. 21, 1842;
Ruth Elizabeth, bo. Apr. 9, 1844;
Lucretia Matilda, bo. Mar. 26, 1846;
Julia Jorette, bo. Sept. 3, 1849; d. Aug. 6, 1853;
Levi Mead, bo. May 24, 1852.

Kinner enlisted in the Civil War Sept. 8, 1862, and served in the 2nd Regiment, N. Y. Cavalry. He was engaged in the battles of Leesburgh and Fredericksburgh and was finally taken

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* Salmon Barber was a son of Amos Barber and Rebecca Newcomb and a grandson of Simon Newcomb, the brother of Kinner. See page 94.

† See page 94.

prisoner Sept. 1, 1863, at Liberty, Va., and sent to Richmond. He was released the following March and sent to Annapolis and exchanged in time to take part in Sheridan's campaign in the Shenandoah Valley. "During his three years' service he was never sick and, except when a prisoner or detached on special duty, he was never absent from his regiment." Soon after the close of the War he went to Chicago, Ill. In 1868 he removed to Remington, Ind., but returned to Chicago in 1870, in which year, on Aug. 30, he married Minta Watkins, a daughter of Cephas Watkins. She was born Feb. 17, 1840, in Malone, N. Y., and died Aug. 8, 1889. After her death Kinner married second in August, 1890, Laura Emerson Hinman. He is a lumber dealer and resides at 1592 West Monroe St., Chicago, Ill. He has had two children: Alvernon Hubbard, born July 12, 1873, died July 4, 1881; and Ruth Lucretia, born Sept. 16, 1892, died Apr. 5, 1893.

George enlisted in the Civil War at the same time and in the same regiment with his brother Kinner. He was in the battle of Fredericksburgh and was killed in the action at Brandy Station June 9, 1863. He left no issue.

Platt married, Oct. 24, 1873, Sarah Jaquish. He lived for a time in Remington, Ind., but now resides in Cottage Grove, Oregon. He has had the following children: Arthur Erwin born Sept. 24, 1874, died Oct. 27, 1876; Samuel Cornelius, born June 16, 1876; Edgar Sanford, born Sept. 11, 1882; Lessie Angeline, born Jan. 17, 1887; Earle Platt, born June 12, 1891.

Ruth is a teacher and is living unmarried in Plattsburgh.

Lucretia and Levi are also living unmarried.

71. Rebecca Banker (38) was born near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Feb. 5, 1768, and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of that place on April 2. She married Simon Newcomb, who was born at Nine Partners, Dutchess Co., Nov. 30, 1753, a son of Cyrenius Newcomb and hence a brother of Kinner, who married Rebecca's sister Lucretia.* Simon Newcomb was a soldier of the Revolution. He enlisted at the same time and in the same company with his brother Kinner, and his Revolutionary experience was very nearly the same, a full account of which can be found in the Genealogy of the Newcomb Family. After

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* See page 91.

the war he removed from Nine Partners to Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., in 1783. It seems probable that he had married his first wife, Rebecca Norcross or Northrop, before this. In 1786 he went to Plattsburgh, N. Y. It is probable that his wife died here having borne him five children,* and he then married Rebecca Banker, who probably came to Plattsburgh with her father's family. She died Apr. 2, 1801, and he afterward married a Mrs. Allen in 1811, by whom he had one son. In 1835 he removed to Columbus, Ohio, where he died in 1841. Rebecca had at least three children as follows:

Mary, bo. June 2, 1808;†
Lucretia;
Erexenia.

Lucretia and Erexenia were twins. The first married Levi Stearns and lived in Potsdam or Ogdensburgh, N. Y. Erexenia married first a Page, second a Dodge, and third a McKinstry, and lived at one time in Cleveland, Ohio. Nothing more is known of either of these or their families.

72. Mary Newcomb (71) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 2, 1808. She married, Nov. 20, 1829, Eliphalet Haskins Newcomb, a son of her first cousin, Kinner Newcomb.‡ He was born in Chazy, Clinton Co., N. Y., June 8, 1808, and became a lawyer. They removed to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1835, where Mary died in 1855, and Eliphalet then married Mrs. Jane Brockway. He had no children by his second wife. Mary had eleven chil-

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* His children by his first wife were; Rebecca, Eliza, Mary, James, and Kezia. The last three died without issue. Rebecca married Amos Barber by whom she had at least; Salmon who married Mary Felt and had Emilia who married Levi P. Newcomb. (See page 93.) Amos Barber married a second wife by whom he had a son Amos who married Sarah E. Newcomb. (See page 93.)

† There are difficulties here that I am unable to remove. Newcomb says that Rebecca had four children, but he apparently accounts for only three. His record of the family is fragmentary, but I have not been able to add anything to it. The date given above for Rebecca's death was obtained from a Plattsburgh correspondent. The date of Mary's birth is from the Newcomb Genealogy. Certainly one or the other is wrong.

‡ This Kinner Newcomb was a son of Cyrenius, the brother of Kinner who married Lucretia Banker and also of Simon the father of Mary above. (See page 91.)

dren, eight of whom died young and their names are not known; the others were:

73. Helen M., bo. Mar. 26, 1834;
George Sanford, bo. Feb. 28, 1840;
Theodore Beman, bo. July 3, 184—.

George married, Sept. 18, 1862, Susan E. Billson, who was born in Ipswich, Mass., Aug. 4, 1841, a daughter of Caleb Billson and Susan Delphina Bartlett. He is a printer and was for years the head of the "G. S. Newcomb Printing Company." He is now manager of "The Old Homestead Co.," publishers of the *Old Homestead*, a monthly family paper in Cleveland. He has had the following children: William H. E., born July 15, 1863, died young; George Sanford, born July 17, 1866, died young; Byron Robb, born Aug. 10, 1868, died young; Bessie Delphina, born Aug. 17, 1872, died young; Clara Augusta, born Jan. 1, 1878; and Helen Maude, born July 12, 1882. The last two are living at home.

Theodore married, Apr. 6, 1866, Elizabeth McIntyre. He enlisted in the Civil War, serving in Co. E of the 150th Regiment, Ohio National Guards, at Fort Thayer near Washington. He was living in Cleveland about 1872, but has since died. He had no children.

73. Helen M. Newcomb (72) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Mar. 26, 1834, and married, Nov. 29, 1854, John Henry Williston, who was born June 15, 1833, in Fayette, N. C. He was a printer and with his brother-in-law formed the "G. S. Newcomb Printing Co.," of Cleveland, Ohio. At the breaking out of the Civil War he entered the service in command of Co. I of the 41st Regiment, Ohio Vol. Inf., from Cleveland, Ohio. He joined Gen. Nelson's Division and was promoted Major, Jan. 1, 1863. He was discharged Oct. 22, 1864, on account of wounds received while on duty. He died at Fostoria, Ohio, Mar. 20, 1891. Helen died July 3, 1889. She had three children:

George Dudley, bo. Feb. 21, 1867;
Mary Louise, bo. Nov. 1, 1871;
Florence, bo. Sept. 28, 1877.

George married, Apr. 30, 1890, in Fostoria, Ohio, Ina B. Micker, who was born Jan. 8, 1872, a daughter of Isaac Newton Micker and Harriet ———. They live in Muncie, Ind., where

George is a railroad clerk. He has one child; Dudley M., born Feb. 5, 1891.

Mary married George Rodier and lives at 300 East Tiffin St., Fostoria, Ohio.

Florence married an Armitage and lives in Indianapolis, Ind.

CHAPTER VIII.

THE JOHN BANKER FAMILY OF PLATTSBURGH.

74. JOHN BANKER (38) was born at Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., N. Y., Sept. 25, 1770, and moved perhaps with his parents to Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., where he married Anna Baker about 1795. She was born probably in Connecticut, Apr. 25, 1775, and was a daughter of Zebulon Baker* and Annis Ross, and was a sister of Capt. John Baker, who married her husband's sister Eleanor.† She died Oct. 1, 1858.

John Banker was a soldier in the War of 1812, and served in the Horse Company. At the battle of Plattsburgh he was ordered to carry the axes from the fort to the bridge to cut it down. He dropped the axes at the bridge and as he turned to go back the British fired at him. One ball went through his hat and grazed his head and another cut the strap that held his sword. He felt the strap give and caught the sword with his hand. He was a farmer and tavern keeper. The old tavern is still standing a few miles west of Plattsburgh. During the War it was made a place of rendezvous for the British officers. At the time of the battle the women gathered in the old tavern, as Mrs. Banker was lame and could not be moved. The boys went on horse-back as near the scene of the battle as they dared. After a time they came back at a full run and every one was alarmed, but they brought news of a victory and in their excitement rode their horses right up on the broad piazza of the tavern. John lived here all his life and died Sept. 2, 1836. He had the following children:

75. Platt Newcomb, bo. Sept. 2, 1796;

82. Jeremiah Baker, bo. Oct. 9, 1797;

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* Zebulon Baker was a shoemaker, tanner, and currier of New London, Conn. He entered the Revolutionary army and received his pay in Continental Money. As this depreciated he was left without means. As soon as his children were old enough to help, he sold what he had and went to Coeyman's, N. Y., where he bought a farm and there he and his wife died. He had six children: William, Alice, John, Anna, Jeremiah and Abigail. After his father's death, William bought out the interests of the other heirs and kept the farm in Coeyman's.

† See page 125.

84. Eleanor, bo. Jan. 24, 1801;
85. James W., bo. Sept. 27, 1803;
90. Rebecca, bo. June 30, 1805;
91. Anna Eliza, bo. May 11, 1808;
92. John H., bo. Dec. 7, 1812;
Thomas H., bo. Nov. 12, 1817; d. Mar. 14, 1818;
William R., bo. Sept. 26, 1820.

William married his second cousin Ruth Banker, and after she died he married her sister, Martha.* He moved west and died in Hinsdale, Dupage Co., Ill., Jan. 10, 1876. By his second wife he had one son, Elliott, who is said to have died about two years after his father, aged about 10 years.

75. Platt Newcomb Banker (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 2, 1796, and married, Dec. 30, 1821, Thankful Marshall, who was born in Stowe, Washington Co., Vt., June 15, 1803, a daughter of Caleb Marshall and Asenath Robinson. About 1845 he moved west and finally settled in Salt Lake City, Utah, where Thankful died June 8, 1882. He died Dec. 21, 1886. He had three children:

76. Asenath Melvina Robinson, bo. Nov. 14, 1822;
78. Julia Ann, bo. May 6, 1826;
William Platt, bo. Aug. 18, 1839; d. aged 2 years.

76. Asenath Melvina Robinson Banker (75) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 14, 1822. She married, Nov. 7, 1841, at Chateaugay, N. Y., Homer Duncan, who was born in Barnet, Vt., Jan. 19, 1815. Soon after their marriage they removed to Des Moines, Iowa, and in the fall of 1848 with their three children they crossed the plains to Utah. The journey took them six months. Asenath traveled extensively over the state of Utah in the rude accommodations afforded by ox-teams. She died in Salt Lake City July 18, 1887. Her husband celebrated his ninetieth birthday in 1905 and was then living in Salt Lake City. Asenath had the following children:

Julia Emily, bo. Apr. 25, 1845; d. Apr. 26, 1873;
77. John Chapman, bo. Sept. 9, 1846;
William Platt, bo. Apr. 2, 1848; d. Mar. 10, 1860;
Pamelia Asenath, bo. May 20, 1850;

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* See page 71.

Lydia Maria, bo. Nov. 24, 1852; d. Oct. 25, 1854;
Homer Putnam, bo. Aug. 13, 1855; d. Aug. 24, 1855;
Mary Putnam, bo. Oct. 14, 1858;
Lillias Isabelle, bo. Aug. 30, 1862; d. Aug. 10, 1863;
Emma Jane, bo. Oct. 20, 1864;
Don Delamore, bo. June 29, 1868.

Pamelia married, May 3, 1870, in Salt Lake City, Charles Franklin Foster, who was born Aug. 22, 1847. They live in Saint George Utah, and have had the following children: Celinda, born Jan. 29, 1871, died Mar. 25, 1890; Emma Asenath, born Dec. 17, 1872, died Dec. 14, 1873; Charles Franklin, born Nov. 19, 1874; Sarah Elizabeth, born June 26, 1877, died Jan. 3, 1901; Julia Putnam, born Aug. 9, 1879; Emelia Pamelia, born Mar. 19, 1882; Effie, born Oct. 12, 1884; Luella, born June 14, 1887; Ethella, born Nov. 29, 1889; Phoebe Delila, born June 9, 1892.

Mary married, Sept. 5, 1877, at Saint George, Utah, Louis Fisher, who was born in McIndoes' Falls, Vt., Aug. 23, 1850. He died at Salt Lake City Oct. 26, 1885, and Mary then married, June 29, 1889, James T. Underwood. She is now living in Salt Lake City. She has three children by her first husband: Louis Putnam, born May 30, 1878, died Apr. 24, 1886; Grace Thankful, born Sept. 25, 1880, who graduated from the University of Utah in 1902 and is now teaching in Salt Lake City; and Delamore Duncan, born Oct. 9, 1882, died Mar. 7, 1886. By her second husband she has had two children; Helen Asenath, born Apr. 10, 1890, and Gladys Beryl, born Jan 21, 1895.

Emma married in Salt Lake City, Sept. 10, 1886, William Jacob Strong, who was born in Salt Lake City Aug. 13, 1863. They lived a number of years in Salt Lake City, but afterward moved to Farmington, Utah, and finally about 1896 to Kaysville, where Mr. Strong died Oct. 4, 1903. Her children are: Sibyl Asenath, born July 25, 1887; Clifford Duncan, born Sept. 19, 1889; Harry Lysle, born Aug. 30, 1891; Leon Marshall, born Sept. 23, 1893; William Astor, born July 28, 1895; Alice, born Nov. 22, 1896; Vernon LeRoy, born July 9, 1900; Mildred Irene, born Aug. 27, 1901.

Don married, Sept. 29, 1904, Anna Horsepool Derrick, who was born in Salt Lake City Feb. 1, 1880. They have no children.

77. JOHN CHAPMAN DUNCAN (76) was born at Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 9, 1846, and married, May 27, 1872, at Cedar City, Utah, Treasa Ann Hayborn, who was born in Sidney, Australia, Jan 27, 1854. They were living in Ferron, Utah, in 1905. He has had ten children as follows:

Asenath Malvina, bo. May 4, 1873;
Julia Emily, bo. Apr. 13, 1875;
Sarah Jane, bo. Sept. 11, 1877; d. Jan. 8, 1887;
Naomi Bell, bo. Apr. 10, 1879; d. Jan. 17, 1887;
Jessie Agnes, bo. May 13, 1881; d. Jan. 8, 1887;
Emma Treasa, bo. Jan. 3, 1884; d. Jan. 15, 1887;
George, bo. Mar. 23, 1886;
John Chapman, bo. Mar. 23, 1886; d. same day;
Bertha Roxada, bo. Sept. 10, 1888;
Homer Chapman, bo. Aug. 21, 1891; d. Jan. 29, 1892.

Asenath married, Dec. 21, 1893, at Ferron, Charles A. Perry, who was born in Springville, Utah, Dec. 31, 1858. They live in Ferron and have had the following children: Myron Duncan, born Nov. 12, 1894; Ora Bell, born Mar. 23, 1896; Ivan, born Oct. 4, 1897; Stephen Chapman, born Mar. 30, 1899; Arnold S., born Oct. 29, 1900; Asael A., born June 22, 1902; and Archie, born Jan. 11, 1904. All are living.

Julia married, Nov. 18, 1892, William Henry Hitchcock, who was born May 26, 1870, in Springtown, Utah. They live in Ferron and have the following children: Dora Evalyn, born Mar. 31, 1894; Blanche, born Oct. 25, 1895; Louis William, born May 18, 1899; Ruelon John, born Mar. 15, 1905. All were living in 1905.

The next four children of John C. Duncan present a remarkable series of fatalities, all of them dying in one month and within two weeks. I did not learn the cause of these deaths. George and John were twins. George and Bertha were living in 1905 at home with their parents.

78. JULIA ANN BANKER (75) was born in Chateaugay, Franklin Co., N. Y., May 6, 1826, and moved with her parents about 1845 to Des Moines, Iowa, and there married, June 23, 1846, Barnabas Lothrop Adams of Batherst, Lanerk Co., Canada. He was born Aug. 28, 1812. About 1848 they moved to Utah and finally settled in Salt Lake City. Barnabas died in a canyon

near Salt Lake City June 2, 1869. Julia is still living. She has had the following children:

79. Julia Thankful, bo. Aug. 11, 1847;
80. Asenath Ann, bo. Nov. 9, 1848;
81. Barnabas Lothrop, bo. Oct. 7, 1850;
Platt Banker, bo. June 21, 1853; d. Sept. 23, 1853;
Daniel Hanmer, bo. Apr. 23, 1855;
Joseph Arza, bo. June 7, 1857;
Hyrum Banker, bo. July 29, 1859;
Brigham Richard, bo. July 18, 1862;
Beulah Aveline, bo. Jan. 9, 1865;
Joshua Alva, bo. Apr. 28, 1867.

Daniel married, Jan. 21, 1885, Rosa Smith of Salt Lake City. She died Jan. 30, 1889, in Rigby, Idaho, and he married second, Oct. 9, 1890, Rebecca Tanner of South Cottonwood, Utah. His children by his first wife are: Charlotte Amelia, born Nov. 1, 1885; and Benjamin Harrison, born Jan 24, 1888. By his second wife he has had: Lydia S., born Sept. 8, 1891; Hanmer D., born May 10, 1893; Platt Newcomb, born Feb. 14, 1895; Hyrum Joshua, born Mar. 23, 1897; Mabel, born Aug. 20, 1899; and Avelon Alva, born Jan. 14, 1902.

Joseph married, Nov. 25, 1878, Vilate Ashworth of Salt Lake City. He died Mar. 16, 1882. He had two children, both now dead: Joseph Marshall, born Apr. 24, 1879, died Mar. 3, 1880, and Mabel, born Jan. 29, 1881, died Apr. 13, 1881.

Hyrum married, Oct. 20, 1901, in Helena, Montana, Alice Nice of Butte, Montana. They live in Rigby, Idaho, and have one child, Alice, born May 24, 1902.

Brigham married, Nov. 12, 1894, at Idaho Falls, Idaho, Margaret Tanner of Beaver, Utah. He died without issue at Jackson, Wyoming, Jan. 20, 1897.

Beulah married, Nov. 29, 1883, Charles D. Crouch, formerly of Kent, England. They are now living in Walkerville, Montana, where Mr. Crouch has become a Methodist minister. Beulah has had three children: Charles Raymond, born June 9, 1884, died July 7, 1885; Leslie Barnard, born May 28, 1886; and Clara Dean, born Oct 12, 1888.

Joshua married, Nov. 26, 1896, Maggie Wort, formerly of Illinois, now of Jackson, Wyoming. He is a guide for tourists in Yellowstone Park. He has no children.

79. JULIA THANKFUL ADAMS (78) was born in Farmersville, Pottawattamie Co., Iowa, Aug. 11, 1847, and married in Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 2, 1865, Joseph W. Young from New York state. He died in Saint George, Utah, June 7, 1873. Julia had two children:

Julia Ann, bo. Oct. 7, 1867;
Persis Goodal, bo. Feb. 21, 1872.

Julia married, July 13, 1887, Ernest Quayle. They live in Salt Lake City and have had nine children: Percy, born May 14, 1888, died July 19, 1888; Stanley, born Aug. 10, 1889; Ernest, born May 9, 1891; James Blaine, born June 12, 1893; Julia, born July 19, 1895; Sara, born Jan. 12, 1897; Asenath Maude, born Aug. 13, 1899; Persis, born May 8, 1901; and Catharine, born Nov. 5, 1903.

Persis married first Byron Quayle, Feb. 28, 1890. He died July 20, 1894, and she then married, May 25, 1897, Laurence Quayle, a younger brother of Byron. They live in Salt Lake City. Persis had by her first husband: John Young, born Dec. 2, 1890; Julia Juanita, born Oct. 5, 1892, died Feb. 23, 1893, in San Francisco, Cal.; Byron Sidney, born Nov. 27, 1893; and Annie Maude, bo ——— ———, died in Salt Lake City July 29, 1895. By her second husband she has had two children: Clifford, born Feb. 4, 1898; and Joan Adams, born Jan. 31, 1902.

80. ASENATH ANN ADAMS (78) was born in Little Cottonwood, Utah, Nov. 9, 1848. She married in Missouri, Aug. 15, 1869, James Harry Kiskadden, formerly of Ohio. He died in September, 1883, in San Francisco, Cal. After the death of her husband she is said to have married a man by the name of Glidden. Asenath, more generally known as Annie Adams, became an actress and appeared in many western cities, where she obtained considerable reputation though since surpassed by that of her daughter. She had but the one child by her first husband: Maude Eloise, born Nov. 11, 1872.

This daughter, the now famous "Maude Adams," was born in Salt Lake City and made her first appearance on the stage at the age of seven and a half months. Her mother was at that time playing in the local theater in a play entitled "The Cottage Girl." This was followed by a farce, "The Lost Child." The baby who took the title role in the latter was suddenly seized with colic at the critical moment of its appearance. About the

same time Maudie appeared at the stage entrance in charge of a maid to accompany her mother home. The need being urgent the manager snatched her up and hurried her on the stage. The child, delighted with the bright lights and glitter about her, crowed and laughed and quite captured the audience. This was the beginning of her career as a footlight favorite. She afterward appeared regularly in a number of baby roles. Later, as a child actress, she was the most popular in the West. The importance of obtaining an education, however, necessitated her retirement from the stage for a time. She afterward came east and first appeared in New York at the Star Theater in "The Paymaster." She was leading woman with John Drew for several seasons and finally appeared in the principal cast of "The Little Minister," in which her fame became fully established. She is now in the full tide of her popularity and is winning increased recognition as the greatest actress of the day. Her country home is at Konkonkoma, Long Island. A full account of her career has been written by Acton Davies under the title "Maude Adams," published by Frederick A. Stokes Co. A very interesting short account will be found in the *Ladies Home Journal* for November, 1903. See also *Munsey's* for August, 1905, *Pearson's* for May, 1908, and various popular periodicals of more recent date.

81. Barnabas Lothrop Adams (78) was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, Oct. 7, 1850. He married, Feb. 20, 1871, Annie M. Van Tassel of New York City. She died Feb. 8, 1875, and he married second, May 9, 1878, Edna Searles of Utah. He died May 19, 1889, at Dry Forks, Utah. He had children by his first wife:

Julia Emily, bo. Jan. 11, 1872;
Barnabas Banker, bo. Aug. 26, 1873.

By his second wife he had:

Daniel Arza, bo. May 26, 1878;
Mindwell, bo. Jan. 26, 1880;
Courtland Leroy, bo. Jan. 28, 1882; d. Sept. 17, 1883;
Stephen Alva, bo. Mar. 9, 1884;
Annie Maria, bo. Apr. 11, 1886;
Ida A., bo. Dec. 4, 1887.

Julia married Apr. 13, 1889, at Dry Forks, Utah, John C. Searls. They have had three children: Hazel V., born May 17,

1890; John I., born Jan. 26, 1894; and Jenny C., born May 22, 1896.

Barnabas married, June 17, 1897, in Lewisville, Idaho, Annie Hall. He has two children: Barnabas Lothrop, born Apr. ——, 1898, and Margaret, born ——, 1901.

Daniel and Mindwell have both married, but details of their families have not been obtained.

82. JEREMIAH BAKER BANKER (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1797. He married, Aug. 9, 1821, Elizabeth Gilderslieve Scribner who was born May 10, 1795, a daughter of Jonathan and Deborah Scribner*. He was a farmer and lived in Plattsburgh all his life. He was constable of Plattsburgh in 1818 and held the office for seven years, was commissioner of highways twelve years, and tax collector three years. He died Aug. 21, 1881 and his wife died Jan. 19, 1882. He had two children:

Deborah Ann, bo. June 13, 1826; d. Aug. 6, 1829;

83. John Scribner, bo. Nov. 23, 1830.

83. JOHN SCRIBNER BANKER (82) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 23, 1830. He married, Mar. 7, 1854, Rebecca Ann Taylor who was born Dec. 22, 1833, a daughter of Silas M. Taylor and Rebecca Ann ———. He has always been a farmer in Plattsburgh and is still living there, about a half mile from the old tavern kept by his grandfather. He was commissioner of highways 1870-73 and held the office of town auditor for twelve years. His wife died Oct. 21, 1888. He has had four children:

Silas Jeremiah, bo. Oct. 26, 1856;
Albert Hobert, bo. Nov. 2, 1863;
William Henry, bo. Nov. 9, 1865;
Alice Elizabeth, bo. Dec. 26, 1875.

Silas married, Sept. 17, 1878, Soba Eliza Ayer who was born July 11, 1859, a daughter of Joseph Ayer and Mary Lee. He is a physician and lives in Ft. Edward, N. Y. He has had two children; Ernest Ensign, born Mar. 1, 1880, and Eula May, born July 27, 1881, died May 1, 1885. Ernest is also a physician and lives at Reaville, N. J.

Albert married, Mar. 27, 1889, Ella Alzina Ostrander who was born Apr. 15, 1867, a daughter of James S. Ostrander and

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* See page 111.

Lovina S. ——. He is a farmer and has lived in Plattsburgh all his life. He has three children: Kathleen Ann, born Mar. 9, 1891; Jeremiah Ostrander, born Oct. 19, 1895; and John James, born Aug. 14, 1899.

William married, Nov. 23, 1892, Mabel Harriet Vaughan who was born Aug. 7, 1872, a daughter of Albert Vaughan and Lama A. ——. He is a farmer in Plattsburgh. He has no children.

Alice is unmarried and lives at home with her father.

84. Eleanor Banker (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y. Jan. 24, 1801, and married, Nov. 26, 1820, Jeremiah Scribner, a son of Levi Scribner and Esther Hubbard. He was a first cousin of Elizabeth Scribner who married Jeremiah Banker* and also of Jonathan Scribner who married Rebecca Banker.† He was a miller and lived in West Plattsburgh, where he died Mar. 7, 1877. He was a Knight Templar and reorganized the present lodge of F. & A. M. at Plattsburgh after the Morgan troubles. Eleanor died Feb. 12, 1858. She had five children:

Sally, bo. Oct. 19, 1821; d. July 3, 1842;
Edwin, bo. Dec. 27, 1822; d. Sept. 14, 1826;
Eliza Ann, bo. Mar. 29, 1825; d. June 1, 1842;
John B., bo. Aug. 8, 1827;
Julia Esther, bo. Jan. 23, 1833.

John married first Ann Eliza Ostrander, a daughter of Israel Ostrander. After her death he married second Sarah Wilson. He was living at one time in Amboy, Blue Earth Co., Minnesota. A letter addressed to him there was forwarded to Cumberland, Wisconsin, and then returned to the writer. He could be traced no further. By his first wife he had a son, George W., born Jan. 15, 1850, who lives in West Plattsburgh. By his second wife he is said to have seven or eight children, but nothing further was learned of them.

Julia married, Jan. 23, 1856, Benjamin F. Sanborn, who was born Oct. 30, 1828, a son of Peter Sanborn and Phoebe Jaquish. He was a carpenter and joiner. He lost his right hand in a circular saw in 1865. He died Apr. 8, 1903.

Julia is still living at Morrisonville, N. Y. She has had four children: Fredie Washington, born June 29, 1858, died Oct. 15,

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* See page 107.
† See page 111.

1859; Merritt C., born Feb. 17, 1861, died Nov. 27, 1869; Ruth Ellen, born Mar. 9, 1863, died Sept. 22, 1892, unmarried; and Francis Louisa, born July 22, 1866, who is living with her mother in Morrisonville unmarried.

85. James W. Banker (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 17*, 1803 He married, Mar. 9,† 1826, Emily Balch who was born Mar. 29, 1807, a daughter of Timothy Balch and Anna Whitman. He was a farmer and resided in Plattsburgh until 1851 when he removed to Wisconsin. In 1865 he went to Amboy, Ill., where he lived until his death Jan. 7, 1887. His wife died Dec. 27, 1893. He had ten children:

Ashbel P., bo. Mar. 2, 1828; d. Aug. 12, 1829;
86. Seymour Whitman, bo. Mar. 29, 1830;
Anna B., bo. June 12, 1832;
William Henry, bo. Jan. 4, 1835;
Platt, bo. May 31, 1837; d. Mar. 30, 1838;
87. Eliza, bo. July 14, 1839;
Richard Ross, bo. Oct. 2, 1841;
88. James Edwin, bo. June 23, 1844;
89. Eleanor Lucy, bo. Sept. 11, 1847;
Emily Elizabeth, bo. Nov. 30, 1850.

Anna married in Decatur, Wis., Sept. 24, 1857, Luther J. Lassell, probably a brother of Ellen who married Seymour Banker.‡ Soon after his marriage Luther left Wisconsin for California in 1859, but stopped in Idaho. In 1871, his wife joined him and they went to Mineral Park, Ariz., where she died June 8, 1879. Luther was living in Kingman, Ariz., in 1903. They had no children.

William H. was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y. He married, Dec. 15, 1864, Maria Louise Mallett, who was born Oct. 19, 1843, a daughter of Marvin H. Mallett and Grace ——. He served three years in the Civil War and is now a retired farmer living at Franklin Grove, Ill. His wife died July 4, 1870. He has one son, Frank Marvin, born Nov. 10, 1867. Frank married, Feb. 1, 1892, Drusilla Dysart who was born Dec. 1, 1866, a daughter of Samuel Dysart and Mary Jane ——. He is a physician and

* Also given as Sept. 27.
† Also given as May 26.
‡ See page 108.

surgeon in Franklin Grove, Ill., and has two children: Irving Dysart, born July 14, 1894, and Eva Beatrice, born Apr. 11, 1897.

Richard married first, Feb. 9, 1867, Martha Lewis and second, Apr. 30, 1883, Mary E. Malloy who was born June 22, 1858, a daughter of William J. Malloy and Margaret Morgan. He served in the Civil War as a private in Co. I, 22nd Regiment, Wis. Vol., from Aug. 13, 1862, to June 12, 1865. He was a carpenter and lived in Omaha, Neb., from 1883 to 1894. He then lived a year in Houston, Texas, but returned to Omaha where he died June 9, 1896. His widow is still living in Omaha. He had no children by his first wife concerning whom no particulars could be learned. By his second wife he had: Mildred Emily, born Mar. 29, 1884; William James, born Oct. 19, 1885, and died July 29, 1897; Loretta M. born July 11, 1889, and died July 11, 1889; Richard Ross, born Nov. 22, 1891, and died the same day; Waldo Emerson, born Jan. 18, 1894; and George Martin, born Aug. 17, 1895.

Emily married, July 8, 1874, James W. Holmes who was born Dec. 2, 1840, a son of Seth W. Holmes and Mary ——. Mr. Holmes is a farmer in Amboy, Lee Co., Ill. They have no children.

86. Seymour Whitman Banker (85) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Mar. 29, 1830. He went to Wisconsin and married, Apr. 2, 1856, Ellen Douglas Lassell, a daughter of Harris Lassell and Lydia ——. She was born at De Kalb, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., Oct. 14, 1828. Mr. Banker is a carpenter and farmer and settled first in Brodhead, Wisconsin, but moved to De Pere, Brown Co., in the spring of 1870, where his wife died Jan. 1, 1877. He is now living in Berkeley, Cal. He has had four children:

Florence Isabel, bo. Jan. 11, 1857; d. Nov. 4, 1879;
Eliza Lassell, bo. Dec. 25, 1858;
Frances Elona, bo. Dec. 3, 1860;
Harris James, bo. Oct. 21, 1863.

Eliza is principal of the Leavenworth School in Omaha, Neb.

Frances married, Oct. 15, 1890, Alfred Wirt who was born Mar. 12, 1864, a son of William Wirt and Sarah Rutter. He is a hardware merchant and has lived in Cook, Neb., since 1895. Their children are: Frederick A., born Sept. 1, 1891; Elsie, born

July 6, 1893; Bennie, born July 5, 1896, and died Aug. 13, 1897; and Lee Whitman, born July 4, 1898.

Harris married, Apr. 10, 1889, Sylvia A. Tremaine who was born June 22, 1869, a daughter of Julius Norman Tremaine and Susan English Kelly. He has been an iron moulder, real estate agent, carpenter and builder, and is now a hardware merchant in Cook, Neb. He has three children; Evelyn Frances, born May 14, 1891; Lassell, born June 2, 1893; and Margaret, born Aug. 1, 1897.

87. Eliza Banker (85) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., July 14, 1839. She married, Oct. 23, 1865, Oscar G. May who was born Dec. 30, 1839, a son of Robert May and Ann ——. Mr. May is a Congregational minister, but since 1894 he has been engaged in the real estate business in Berkeley, Cal., where he moved in 1892. He served nearly a year in the Civil War as a non-commissioned officer in Co. B, 9th Illinois Cavalry, and is now receiving a pension. He graduated from the University of Chicago in 1867 with the degree of A. B., and three years later received the degree of A.M. He is also a graduate of the Chicago Theological Seminary, class of 1870. Eliza has had seven children as follows:

Frank Morris, bo. Jan. 10, 1868;
Emily, bo. July 16, 1869; d. Sept. 2, 1869;
Grace Evangeline, bo. Aug. 21, 1870;
Gertrude Banker, bo. Jan. 1, 1874;
William Garfield, bo. June 15, 1875;
Lucy, bo. July 18, 1879;
Robert L., bo. Jan. 18, 1881.

Frank married Eva Preston, a daughter of Colburn J. and Melissa M. Preston. He has lived in California since 1884. He graduated from the State Normal School at San Jose, in 1890 and has been a teacher since then. He has two children; Marjorie, born May 22, 1897, and Evaline Preston, born July 30, 1902.

Grace married, May 10, 1892, Walter J. Mortimer who was born Oct. 7, 1869, a son of Nicholas and Louise May Mortimer. His parents were from England. He is a real estate dealer in Berkeley, Cal. Grace has two children; Lucy May, born Aug. 6, 1893, and Walter J., born May 18, 1901.

Gertrude married, Oct. 12, 1902, Dr. Frederick W. Watt who was born Oct. 20, 1875, a son of James W. and Linnie A. C.

Watt of Jefferson county, Ohio. Dr. Watt is a physician and surgeon and lived in San Francisco, Cal., from 1898 to 1902, since then they have lived at Walnut Creek. They have no children.

William married, Aug 30, ——, Viva Carnall, a daughter of Nathan and Mary F. Carnall. He is an architect and builder in Berkeley, Cal. He has no children.

Lucy and Robert are unmarried.

88. James Edwin Banker (85) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 23, 1844. He married, Jan. 27, 1870, Aurora L. Stimson who was born Oct. 15, 1850, a daughter of Aaron Stimson and Amy A. Hopkins*. He is a mechanic and is now living in Berkeley, Cal. He has six children as follows:

Bertha, bo. Feb. 14, 1872; d. Dec. 7, 1880;
Elmer H., bo. Apr. 16, 1874; d. May 28, 1874;
Walter E., bo. Oct. 25, 1875;
Edna L., bo. Jan. 11, 1878;
Arthur Seymour, bo. Nov. 15, 1880;
Charles Stimson, bo. Oct. 16, 1887.

Edna is the only one married. She married, in Napa, Cal., Oct. 30, 1901, Lewis H. Foskett who was born Feb. 11, 1872, a son of John and Lavina Lewis Foskett. He is a plumber and they reside in Oakland, Cal. She has one child, Bertha Louise, born Sept. 25, 1902.

89. Eleanor Lucy Banker (85) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1847, and married in Illinois, July 1, 1870, Shaffer Parker Frye who was born May 5, 1842. Mr. Frye is a carpenter and is now living in East St. Louis, Ill. Eleanor died Apr. 13, 1878, and her husband married again but no particulars of his second marriage were learned.

Eleanor had four children all born in Hinsdale, Ill., as follows:

Herbert Eugene, bo. Apr. 30, 1871;
Frederick, bo. July 24, 1872; d. Jan 18, 1873;
Harlon Percy, bo. Apr. 23, 1874;
Charles Lemon, bo. Jan. 3, 1876.

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* Amy is said to be a descendant of Stephen Hopkins, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Herbert married, Mar. 18, 1896, Florilla Edessa Marsh who was born in Hilton, Ontario, June 15, 1863, a daughter of William Edmond Marsh and Ruth M. Crowder. He is a machinist and after his marriage lived in Bremen, Ind., until 1898, then for a year in Libertyville, Ill., and since then in Elgin, Ill. He has one child, Helen Lucy, born July 12, 1897.

Harlon married, Dec. 10, 1898, Lizzie May Carter who was born Aug. 21, 1879, a daughter of Charles Samuel and Mary Rebecca Carter. He is a fireman and engineer in an apartment building in Chicago. He has at least two children: Mrytle Blanch, born May 14, 1899, and Dorothy Gladys, born Aug. 28, 1900.

Charles is unmarried and lives with his brother Harlon in Chicago.

90. Rebecca Banker (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 30, 1805. She married, Sept. 22, 1825, Jonathan Scribner who was born June 25, 1801, a son of Jonathan and Deborah Scribner*. She lived in Beekmantown, Clinton Co., N. Y., where she died Sept. 26, 1874, and her husband died in the same place Mar. 21, 1881. She had four children:

Deborah, bo. Apr. 15, 1829; d. July 9, 1898, unmarried;
Platt, bo. Dec. 10, 1833; d. Jan. 18, 1834;
Sarah Elizabeth, bo. Mar. 21, 1835;
William Elijah, bo. Mar. 22, 1838; d. June 27, 1898, unmarried.

Sarah married, Feb. 1, 1860, Newell Ladue who was born July 29, 1822, a son of Samuel Ladue and Celina Newell. He is a farmer and they lived in Beekmantown, N. Y., until April, 1898, when they went to Minneapolis, Minn., where they now live (1907). Sarah has one daughter, Lillie, born Apr. 30, 1864. She married Matthew Walker of Beekmantown and went with her husband to Minnesota where he is a merchant. She has two children, May and Ethel.

91. Anna Eliza Banker (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., May 11, 1808, and married Nov. 2, 1840, Edward Stickles who was born Nov. 18, 1791, a son of Edward Stickles and Elizabeth Moore. Mr. Stickles was a farmer and they lived in

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* See page 107.

Schuyler Falls, Clinton Co., N. Y., where they both died. They had two children.

Caroline Angelia, bo. Dec. 15, 1841;
Charles Moore, bo. Dec. 20, 1848.

Caroline is unmarried and lives with her brother.

Charles married, Sept. 18, 1878, Frances Amelia Day who was born Nov. 18, 1851, a daughter of Henry Day and Mary Elizabeth Beardsley. He has one son, Henry Day, born Apr. 22, 1891. Charles is a farmer and lives on his father's old place near Schuyler Falls.

92. JOHN H. BANKER (74) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1812. He married first in December 1841, Caroline Balch who was born Nov. 12, 1822, a daughter of Deacon Chester Balch and Lucy Smedley*. She died June 8, 1842, and he married second Lydia Allen, a daughter of Martin Allen and Betsey ——. He was a farmer and lived in Beekmantown, N. Y., where he died Aug. 19, 1890. His children were all by his second wife as follows:

Wilson, bo. in 1844; died Sept. 1860;
Caroline E., bo. Dec. 12, 1849;
93. Edwin D., bo. June —, 1852;
Emily, bo. May 25, 1855;
William P., bo. Jan. 22, 1858;
Adeline F., bo. Dec. ——, 1859.

Wilson was killed. He was driving a horse attached to a stone-boat on which was a barrel of water. The horse suddenly shied, and he was caught between the barrel of water and a stone wall and injured internally. He lived only two or three days.

Caroline married, in 1874, Henry G. Larkin who was born May 26, 1852, a son of Lorenzo D. Larkin and Julia Griffith. He is an insurance agent. They lived in Plattsburgh, N. Y., until 1892, then moved to Schenectady where they lived until 1898, and after a year in Providence, R. I., they came to Pittsburgh, Pa., where they were living in 1903. Caroline has had three children, none of whom were married when last heard from:

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* See page 139.

Winfred H., born Oct. 12, 1875; Walter B., born Aug. 9, 1877; and Gertrude M., born Mar. 28, 1879.

Emily is unmarried and lives with her sister Adeline in Plattsburgh, N. Y.

William married, Sept. 24, 1890, Nellie Grant, who was born Sept. 16, 1865 (?), a daughter of Ransom R. Grant and Esther Cliff. She died Oct. 9, 1895. Mr. Banker has been engaged in the produce business in New York City since 1888. He lives at 2669 Marion Ave., Fordham, in the Bronx. His children are: Ransom Grant, born Nov. 18, 1893, and Horace Grant, born Aug. 22, 1895.

Adeline married John B. Moores. He has a large farm near the city of Plattsburgh and is parole officer for Clinton Prison. They have no children.

93. Edwin D. Banker (92) was born in Beekmantown, N. Y., in June, 1852. He married Martha Larkin, who was born Oct. 11, 1848, a daughter of Lorenzo D. Larkin and Agnes Mason. She was a half-sister of Henry G. Larkin, who married her husband's sister. Edwin is a retired farmer and lives at 14 Lorraine St., Plattsburgh. He has three children:

Agnes, bo. Apr. 15, 1878;
Elizabeth, bo. Sept. 19, 1882;
Harry, bo. Nov. 6, 1885.

Agnes married, Dec. 19, 1900, Frank C. Belden, who was born in December, 1876, a son of Wyte Belden and Florence Ober. He is a groceryman and they live at 14 Lorraine St., Plattsburgh. They have one child, Grace, born Sept. 18, 1902.

Elizabeth married, Oct. 18, 1905, Ralph Dolby, who was born about 1880. He is a trainman on the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad, and they live in Hoboken, N. J. They have no children.

Harry is unmarried and is a stenographer.

CHAPTER IX.

THE HENRY BANKER FAMILY.

94. Henry J. Banker (38) was born at Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., N. Y., Sept. 25, 1772. He moved to Peru, Clinton Co., and in 1798 married Mary Beman. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, being a private in Capt. Joseph I. Green's Company of Col. Stephen Thorn's Reg't of New York militia. He volunteered July 1, 1812, for six months at Plattsburgh under General Orders of the Governor, and again Aug. 31, 1814, for an indefinite term, continued in service seven months, and was honorably discharged. He received from the U. S. Government Land Warrants for 160 acres of land. He was probably in the cavalry as he furnished besides his clothing a sword and belt. He was a farmer and died in Schuyler Falls June 8, 1848. His wife died in February, 1857. He had at least seven children:

95. Ezra Turner, bo. 1800;
Kinner, died without issue;
101. Amy, bo. Dec., 1807;
102. Beman, bo. Sept., 1812;
105. Rebecca;
Jemima;
Fanny.

It has been difficult to obtain information of most of this family.

Jemima married Henry Bullis and had three children: Loanda, Lucretia, and Abbie Ann. All of these married, but no further information could be obtained of them.

Fanny married Thomas Sterns, but died without issue.

95. Ezra Turner Banker (94) was born in Peru, N. Y., in 1800 or 1801. He married Sarah Kent, who was born in 1808. He was a farmer and lived at Peasleeville, N. Y., where he died Feb. 14, 1875. His wife died May 13, 1875. When but a small boy, at the time of the invasion of New York by the British in 1812, he drove an ox-team into Plattsburgh to rescue a family just before the entrance of the British and had to run

the oxen at the top of their speed on the way out to keep ahead of the troops. Some fugitives who met him on his way in warned him to go back, but he said, no, his father had sent him after that family and get them he would. He had nine children as follows:

Silas Kent, bo. Apr. 6, 1828;
96. John K., bo. Aug. 2, 1829;
97. Alonson, bo. July 20, 1831;
George H., bo. Apr. 11, 1834;
98. Charles Knight, bo. Apr. 9, 1836;
99. Benjamin Franklin, bo. Oct. 27, 1838;
100. James W., bo. Jan. 28, 1843;
Jefferson M., bo. July 24, 1845;
Mary Elizabeth, bo. June 3, 1847.

Silas married Mary Ann Sprague, a daughter of Renidine Sprague. He was a soldier of the Civil War and served in the cavalry. On one occasion he was engaged with his troop in a battle in a swamp and saw his captain attacked by three rebels. He dashed up and struck one with his saber and was immediately struck in turn over the head and knocked from his horse and trampled upon. He was not killed, however, and was carried off the field as a prisoner by the rebels. After three weeks with his captors he made his escape by appearing unable to travel on account of his injuries. The Confederates took his clothes and gave him a rebel suit instead and left him. This change of dress favored him, and he wandered through the mountains for weeks living on berries until he finally reached the Federal lines. He was an Adirondack hunter and a crack shot but wanted a mark. In one skirmish when the fight was hot he was behind a stump and peeking about nervously, when his captain spied him and called out, "Banker, why don't you shoot?" He replied, "I don't see anything to shoot at." After the war he went west and settled in Illinois near Fairbury. He died about eight years later. His wife died about 1902. He had two children: Huldah Ann, and Ezra. Huldah married Fred Peck, of Saranac, and they went to Illinois. She had several children. Nothing further could be learned of this family.

George was also a soldier of the Civil War and enlisted in Co. K, 118th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf. He died on David's Island

Nov. 12, 1863, and was buried on Cypress Hill, his grave being No. 931. He was unmarried.

Jefferson enlisted in the Civil War in Co. K, 118th Reg't. N. Y. Vol. Inf. He was captured May 16, 1864, at the Battle of Drury's Bluff. He was lying behind a log with the adjutant who was loading while he fired. His brother Benjamin under orders to retire saw him and told him to come back. He said he would after one more volley, but the rebels suddenly made a dash forward and he was captured. He was taken first to Libby prison, then to Castle Thunder, and finally to Andersonville. An acquaintance saw him taken to the hospital one day and the next day recognized his body in the dead cart. He died Aug. 15, 1864, and his grave is No. 5536.

Mary E. married her third cousin, Earl I. Whitney. See page 75 for issue.

96. John K. Banker (95) was born in Peru, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1829. He married first Mary Ann Soper, a daughter of Edmund Soper and Millie Stave. She died about 1887 aged 58, and he married second, Apr. 24, 1893, Mira L. Bennet, who was born in 1852, a daughter of Alva Bennet and Jemima Soper. John was a bloomer in the iron-works but is now a farmer and carries the mail between Elizabethtown and Lewis in Essex county, N. Y. He lives at Lewis. He had three children by his first wife:

Edmund Ezra, bo. July 14, 1850;
Loyal, bo. about 1855;
Mina Permilla, bo. Dec. 11, 1858.

Edmund married, June 19, 1883, Emily Anna Signor, who was born Oct. 12, 1858, a daughter of John Wesley Signor and Ellen Adelia Hull. He was formerly a mine superintendent and is now an overseer of road construction. He lives at 92 Brinckerhoff St., Plattsburgh, N. Y. He has two children; Carl John, born May 24, 1884, who works for the Dock and Coal Co., Plattsburgh, as stenographer, and James Signor, born Apr. 11, 1887, who works in a carpenter shop in Schenectady, N. Y.

Loyal married Jennie Bowdish. He is a hammerman in the Locomotive Works in Schenectady, N. Y., and lives at 904 State St. He has four children: Maud, who married Albert Sargent, owner of a saw-mill in Lewis, Essex Co., N. Y., and has one boy;

Sybil, who married Sherwin (?) Baldwin, employed in the Electrical works in Schenectady, N. Y.; Roy; and Mildred.

Mina married, Dec. 1, 1880, Myron A. Buck, who was born Aug. 14, 1853, a son of Oreson and Phoebe Buck. He is an insurance agent and they live in Glens Falls, N. Y., at 13 Vanderheyden St. Mina has two children; Charles, born May 15, 1884, who is unmarried and is a soldier in the regular army, and May, bo. Oct. 25, 1886, who married, Jan. 1, 1904, N. Burt Rice, a bookkeeper, and they live at 14 Burch Ave., Glens Falls, N. Y.

97. Alonson Banker (95) was born in Clinton Co., N. Y., July 20, 1831. He married first Mary Johnson by whom he had eight children. After her death he married second in September, 1875, Huldah E. Johnson, her sister, who was born Apr. 4, 1847, by whom also he had eight children. He enlisted in Co. C, 91st Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf., for the Civil War. He received a wound in the side from which he suffered all his life, and it finally caused his death Dec. 30, 1897. He was honorably discharged from the army in June, 1865. His widow is still living in Peasleeville, N. Y. His children by his first wife were:

Cornelia;
Lorenzo, bo. July 19, 1857;
Rosa Content, bo. Jan. 16, 1858;
Emma;
Charles Henry, bo. Apr. 22, 1861;
Hattie Elizabeth, bo. Jan. 19, 1863;
Julia A., bo. Feb. 15, 1865;
Sarah E., bo. Feb. 16, 1869.

By his second wife he had:

Edwin James, bo. Feb. 3, 1870;
Jeremiah, bo. Aug. 20, 1876;
Mary C., bo. Mar. 13, 1878;
Ezra, bo., Aug. 10, 1879;
Eva M., bo. Apr. 23, 1882;
Florence M., bo. Mar. 2, 1884; d. Feb. 22, 1901;
Lydia G., bo. Sept. 2, 1885;
Joseph, bo. Dec. 20, 1888.

Cornelia married James White, a farmer of Saranac, N. Y. A letter addressed to her there was returned.

Lorenzo married, Mar. 1, 1880, Nora Hopkins, who was born Mar. 3, 1861, a daughter of Matthew Hopkins and Mary C. Baird. He is a farmer and lives in Vermontville, N. Y. He has four children: Lillie M., born Mar. 24, 1881, and married, Nov. 16, 1899, Joseph F. McCarthey; Mattie F., born July 4, 1883, and married, June 30, 1902, Orin T. Davis; Charles R., born Feb. 20, 1885, and married, Feb. 25, 1907, Myrtle Skiff; and a boy born Feb. 26, 1887, died Mar. 8, 1887.

Rosa married, Dec. 21, 1881, Richard Irwin who was born Oct. 21, 1856, a son of Robert Irwin and Jane ———. He is a farmer in Peru, N. Y., and has three children: Frank W., born May 3, 1883; Nathan, born Sept. 13, 1885; and Richard C., born May 23, 1901.

Emma married Cyrus Green of Peasleeville, N. Y. He died in 1896. Nothing further was learned about her.

Charles married, July 4, 1891, Alice Elmira Baker, who was born May 15, 1876, a daughter of Joseph Baker and Ella ———. He is a farmer in Plattsburgh, N. Y. He has six children: Henry Alonson, born Sept. 26, 1892; Frank Leroy, born July 4, 1894; Sherman Ward, born Jan. 19, 1896; Ethel May, born Aug. 20, 1897; Floyd Earl, born July 11, 1901; and Ella Adelia, born Sept. 5, 1904.

Hattie married, Jan. 20, 1883, Albert Evans, who was born Oct. 2, 1859, a son of Milo Evans and Lucy Ward. They live in Moffitsville, N. Y. She has six children: Myrtle Edna, born Jan. 1, 1886, died in March, 1887; Maud Estla, born Jan. 6, 1889; Daisy May, born May 24, 1891; Irving Seward, born June 15, 1893; Hazel Lila, born Mar. 17, 1898; and Darwin Milo, born Oct. 20, 1900, died Sept. 16, 1903.

Julia married, Jan. 15, 1887, Roswell S. Muzzy, who was born Oct. 30, 1857, a son of John C. Muzzy and Eliza ———. He is a farmer of Bloomingdale, N. Y. Julia died May 28, 1895. She had three children: Huldah E., born Aug. 20, 1888; Lorenzo H., born Oct. 29, 1891; and Myrtle I., born Nov. 4, 1893, died Sept. 20, 1899.

Sarah married a distant cousin, George W. Newell. For record of her family see page 74.

Edwin married Rose Winch, a daughter of Lyman and Emogene Winch. He is a mason and lives in Bloomingdale, N. Y. He has six children: Laura May, born Mar., 1891; Leila

Beatrice, born June 20, 1893; Della Gertrude, born Sept., 1896; Octavia Marie, born May 29, 1899; Florence M.; and Lyman Edwin.

Jeremiah married first Minnie Whitcomb, a daughter of George and Mary Whitcomb. She died and he married second Sophia Besaw. He is a mason and lives in Vermontville, N. Y. He has three children: Marjorie Elizabeth, born Mar. 4, 1897; George, born Oct. 21, 1899; and Paul Heyward, born July 27, 1907.

Mary married, Dec. 26, 1897, Ira Winch, a son of Lyman and Emogene Winch, and hence a brother of Rose above. They live in Vermontville, N. Y.. Mary has five children: Blanch Estella, born Nov. 4, 1899; Harold Otto, born May, 1901; Forest Raymond, born Jan. 25, 1903; Hazel, born, 1905; and Wayne Russel, born July 20, 1907.

Ezra, Eva, Lydia, and Joseph are all unmarried and live in Peasleeville with their mother.

98. Charles Knight Banker (95) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Apr. 9, 1836. He married Hattie Bates, a daughter of John Bates. He was a hammersman in the iron foundry in Saranac, N. Y. At the opening of the Civil War, he enlisted with his brothers in Co. K, 118th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf. After the war he went west and settled in Illinois, it is thought at Patoka, where he died Apr. 17, 1877. His widow married a second time and has since died. He had one son:

Frederick Charles, bo. Mar. 17, 1865.

This son married, Nov. 14, 1894, Margarette Tippney, a daughter of Thomas H. and Laura Tippney of Cheshire, England. He is a manufacturer of carbonated beverages and lives at 407 Elizabeth Ave., Elizabeth, N. J. He has one son, Francis Frederick, born Oct. 21, 1895.

99. Benjamin Franklin Banker (95) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y., Oct. 27, 1838. He married, Dec. 21, 1870, Cealia Olidine Russel, who was born July 4, 1854, a daughter of Peter S. Russel and Jane M. Perry. He was a soldier of the Civil War and enlisted in Co. K, 118th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf. He was an orderly sergeant and was in command of a small skirmish party at the capture of Richmond and was one of the first to enter the city. The keys of Libby Prison were given to him, and he was the

first, it is said, to open the doors and enter. His widow still has one of the keys. After the war he returned to Peasleeville, where he worked in the iron works, and after they were abandoned he became a farmer. He died Mar. 3, 1905. His widow is now (1907) living in Peasleeville. He had seven children:

George Henry, bo. Mar. 9, 1872;
Russel M., bo. Oct. 13, 1874;
Cora A., bo. Mar. 27, 1878;
Zilpha J., bo, Sept. 4, 1883;
Halsey E., bo. Nov. 9, 1888;
(A baby) bo, Mar. 13, 1891; d. Apr. 1, 1891;
Leon S., bo. June 27, 1892; d. Aug. 26, 1893.

George married, Sept. 29, 1900, Gertrude Benway, a daughter of Washington Benway and Jane Moore.* He is a farmer in Peasleeville, and has one child; Ilah, born Sept. 23, 1901.

Russel married, Mar. 30, 1901, Ethel Rixon, who was born in April, 1881, a daughter of Benjamin Rixon and Abbie Eels.† He works in the butter factory in Clayburgh, N. Y. He has no children.

Cora married, July 22, 1899, Anson Allen, who was born Jan. 21, 1871, a son of Zebulon Allen, a soldier of the Civil War, and Abbie Westcott. He is a farmer in Saranac, N. Y. Cora has had one child, Florence, born Sept. 29, 1906, died Aug. 8, 1907.

Zilpha married, Jan. 2, 1904, Charles Morrow, who was born Apr. 21, 1884, a son of Benjamin Morrow, also a soldier of the Civil War, and Harriet Burt. She has one child, Bertha, born Sept. 19, 1906.

Halsey is at home with his mother.

100. James W. Banker (95) was born in Peasleeville, N. Y. Jan. 28, 1843. He married, May 6, 1878, Nettie A. Bowdish, who was born in Schuyler Falls, N. Y., Feb. 24, 1855, a daughter of Henry Bowdish and Elizabeth Howe. Mr. Banker

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* See page 73.
† Abbie Eels is a sister of Willis Eels. See page 75.

is a farmer and he and his wife are both living in Peasleeville. He has three daughters:

Beatrice Emma, bo. Apr. 8, 1879;
Bertha Ella, bo. Apr. 8, 1879;
Jessie Mae, bo. Aug. 23, 1885.

Beatrice is at home unmarried.

Bertha married, Sept. 5, 1899, William H. Coats, who was born July 29, 1877, a son of William Henry Coats and Emma Guernsey. He is a commercial traveler, and they live at 214 Montrose Ave., Syracuse, N. Y. Bertha has two children: Helen Bertha, born Aug. 29, 1900, and Calla Beatrice, born Dec. 29, 1902.

Jessie married, Nov. 21, 1905, Daniel Smith Braman, who was born Feb. 21, 1882, a son of William Whipple Braman and Ellen Lavina Preston. He is a clerk and they live at 10 Sailly St., Plattsburgh. They have no children.

101. Amy Banker (94) was born in Peru, Clinton Co., N. Y., in December, 1807. She married Daniel Bullis, who died Jan. 26, 1881, aged 75 years. He was an iron worker and lived in Lewis, Essex Co., N. Y. The date of Amy's death could not be learned, but she had three children:

Chaney B., born June 8, 1831;
Kinner C., bo. July 15, 1835;
Clara A., bo. May 2, 1839.

Chaney married, June 1, 1852, Abbie Robbins. He is a farmer and lives at Whallonsburgh, Essex Co., N. Y. He had five children, but they are all dead except one son, L. D., born Jan. 15, 1867.

Kinner married, Aug. 24, 1862, Myra A. Robbins, who was born Oct. 22, 1845, a daughter of Ansel and Elizabeth Robbins. He was a soldier in the Civil War, enlisting in Aug. 1862, in Co. K, of the 118th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf., and served to the close of the war. He received his discharge May 19, 1865. He is now a farmer and lives in Whallonsburgh, Essex Co., N. Y., He has one daughter, Edna E., born Aug. 14, 1866. She has married a Ferguson.

Clara married Aaron Gardner, a miller, who died Jan. 23, 1897. She died Feb. 21, 1905 She had seven children, but they are all dead.

102. Beman Banker (94) was born in Peru or Peasleeville, N. Y., in September, 1812. He married, in 1840, Naomi Cummings. He was a farmer and lived in the town of Peru, Clinton Co., N. Y., where he died Jan. 16, 1896. His wife died Nov. 20, 1881. He had six children:

Lydia, bo. Aug. 18, 1842; d. Aug. 22, 1852;
103. Lana, bo. Sept. 16, 1844;
104. Henry bo. Apr. 15, 1847;
Martha, bo. May, 1852;
Mary E., bo. Nov. 7, 1855; d. May 31, 1878, unmar.
William, bo. Aug. 20, 1886; d. in July, 1870.

Martha married Lyman Allen, and died Aug 1, 1894. Her husband is a farmer and lives in Disco, N. Y. She had one child, William,' who married a Carpenter and is a merchant in Ausable Forks, N. Y.

103. Lana Banker (102) was born in Peru, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1844. She married, Jan. 1, 1864, Samuel Gonyea, a carpenter of Plattsburgh. He is city constable and deputy sheriff, and they live at 17 Rugar St., Plattsburgh, N. Y. Lana has had five children:

Samuel Beman, bo. Jan. 25, 1865;
Azilsa H., bo. Mar. 5, 1867; d. June 23, 1870;
Naomi A., bo. June 7, 1870;
Joseph H., bo. Jan. 5, 1873; d. June 30, 1878;
Mary E., bo. July 7, 1876.

Samuel is living unmarried in Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Naomi married, July 4, 1887, Charles Cross of Saranac. They have one daughter, Elnora, born, Mar. 22, 1889.

Mary married, Apr. 14, 1898, Robert Provost of Peru. They also have one daughter, Florence Irene, born Feb. 11, 1899.

104. Henry Banker (102) was born in Peru, N. Y., Apr. 15, 1847. He married, in 1871, Eveline Swinyer, who was born Apr. 5, 1849. He was an iron worker and moved to Penacook, New Hampshire, where he died Nov. 20, 1907. His wife is now living in Penacook. He had eight children as follows:

Mitchell, bo. June 9, 1871; d. Apr. 15, 1872;
Henry Leslie, bo. Feb. 15, 1873; d. Mar. 20, 1873;
Justin, bo. Mar. 15, 1874;
Edmund, bo. Apr. 30, 1876;

Mary Elizabeth, bo. Dec. 18, 1878;
Lena, bo. Mar. 17, 1884;
Eveline, bo. June 21, 1886; d. Oct. 21 1886;
Mildred, bo. Sept. 24 1888.

Justin married Mabel Sessions in 1901 and has one daughter, Mildred, born Aug. 17, 1905.

Edmund married first, in 1895, Emma Papineau. She died Jan. 13, 1897, and he married second Nettie Matott in 1900. By his first wife he had one child, Glenna M., born June 29, 1896. By his second wife he had three children: Hazel E., born Aug. 27, 1902; Ray E., born Sept. 8, 1904; and Helen N., born June 29, 1907.

Mary married Adolphus Barney in 1889 and has two children; Henry M., born June 14, 1901, and Marguerite E., born Aug. 7, 1905.

Lena married Joseph Baker in 1903 and has one child, Clyde J., born Mar. 3, 1904.

Mildred married Ernest Baker in 1904 and has one child, Eveline A., born July 1, 1905.

105. Rebecca Banker (94) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y. She married William Bullis, an iron worker. They lived at Black Brook, Peru, and Plattsburgh. She died July 6, 1862, and her husband died Oct. 15, 1872. She had eleven children as follows:

Edwin, bo. Apr. 15, 1841; dead;
Phelier, bo. Nov. 15, 1842; dead;
William Melvin, bo. Nov. 15, 1844; dead;
Amelia, bo. Mar. 29, 1846; dead;
Cornelia, bo. July 7, 1847; dead;
Melvin, bo. Mar. 29, 1849;
Alice M., bo. Jan 31, 1850; dead;
Catherine, bo. Mar. 15, 1852; dead;
Jemima, bo. Dec. 9, 1854;
Alvira, bo. Oct. 26, 1856; dead;
Ira, bo. Oct. 1, 1858; dead.

Melvin married, Aug. 22, 1869, Juliet Hunter, who was born Dec. 23, 1847, a daughter of William and Caroline Hunter. He is an iron worker and lives at Saranac Lake, N. Y. He has

two children; Ella J., born Mar. 14, 1875, and G. P., born Apr. 7, 1873.

No further information could be obtained concerning the rest of Rebecca's children. It is probable that some of them had families.

CHAPTER X.

THE BAKER FAMILY.

106. ELEANOR BANKER (38) was born in Dutchess county, N. Y., Nov. 7, 1776, and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of the Flats near Nether Rhinebeck Feb. 16, 1777. She married John Baker, who was born in June, 1773, in New London, Connecticut, and when a boy moved with his father to Coeyman's, New York. He was a son of Zebulon Baker and Annis Ross and a brother of Anna Baker, who married Eleanor's brother, John Banker.* About 1796, the year after their marriage, John and Eleanor removed to Plattsburgh, N. Y., where they afterward lived.

John Baker was a prosperous man for the time and a prominent man in the community. He was captain of a light infantry company in the American Army in the War of 1812 and took active part in the operations against the British about Plattsburgh. His health was broken down by his exposures and he died of consumption Dec. 7, 1816. His wife was his equal in patriotic zeal and resolution. It is said that she turned the grindstone for the Captain to sharpen his sword. At the time the British were advancing to the Saranac River, a detachment of about five hundred came by Captain Baker's house, which is about a mile north of the river, and halted there. Captain Baker and his men were at Wait's Mills, now Morrisonville, tearing up the bridge. The British posted their sentinels about the house and asked for milk and refreshments, which Mrs. Baker gave them, and they paid for what they had. At some distance south of the house was a brook, and between that and the river at the bridge was a considerable rise of ground. At first the British officers supposed the river ran where the brook was, and seeing some smoke rising beyond the hill they asked where that was and were told it was at Wait's Mills on the river They then learned that they had some distance to go through woods and broken country. Suspecting that some trap might be planned

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* See page 98.

for them, they inquired where the Captain was, and Mrs. Baker told them that he was out with his men in defense of his country. Not being able to get much satisfaction from her they finally told her that they were going down to the bridge, but if they were fired on while on the way they would burn all the buildings on their return. She replied, "You can burn and be damned. I can use water as fast as you can fire." At this they laughed and tipping their hats rode off saying, "For such bravery from a little black-eyed woman, who would harm her?"

The British were met at the bridge by a small body of Americans in command of Captain Daniel B. Vaughan, a half-brother of Benjamin and Nathan Vaughan.* These men, concealed by a log house, conducted themselves so well as to convey the impression of being a much larger force and induced the enemy to retreat. The British troops returned by Captain Baker's house, but so far from molesting anything the soldiers were not even permitted to get apples from the orchard without paying for them.

The Captain's house was a log house but substantial and with considerable indications of prosperity. It was supposed that he had some money. Realizing the dangers of the times he placed his money in a stocking leg and buried it beneath a lone apple-tree in the pasture at some distance from the house. This tree was still standing a few years ago and leaned strongly to the west. The British came to the house several times and demanded the Captain's money with threats, but were beaten off by the female weapon in the mouth of his courageous wife.

The story is told that on one occasion in order to carry a warning to her husband, she rode her pony across a bridge from which the planks had been removed by the British scouts, and that the scouts who saw the performance cheered her. It is to be presumed that the bridge was neither very high nor very long. At the least these stories indicate the mettle of the woman.

Mrs. Baker lived to be nearly 80 years old, dying Aug. 29, 1856,† and often delighted in telling the story of her skirmish with the British. She had ten children as follows:

107. Zebulon, bo. Mar. 24, 1796;

111. James, bo. Feb. 10, 1799;

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* See pages 135 and 137.

† Also given as July 4, 1857. She was said to be 81 years old.

119. Rebecca, bo. Sept. 15, 1801;
121. Sally, bo. Apr. 9, 1804;
Philander, bo. Aug. 28, 1807;
David, bo. May 2, 1809; d. Aug. 14, 1868, unmarried.
John, bo. Oct. 10, 1810; d. Sept. 20, 1846, unmarried;
124. Charles, bo. Jan. 16, 1812;
George, bo. Apr. 10, 1814;
Charlotte, bo. May 23, 1816.

Philander married and lived on a farm in West Plattsburgh all his life. He died May 6, 1885. His wife is also dead. He had two children, one who died in infancy and Elizabeth. The latter married Charles Meader, a son of James M. Meader. He is a keeper in Dannemora Prison. They have two children, Frank and Mattie. Frank is married and lives in Schenectady, N. Y., where he works in the Electric Works. This is all that could be learned concerning Philander or his family.

George married, Sept. 27, 1872, Octavia C. Carpenter, a daughter of Horace Carpenter and Marion Stickles. He died May 9, 1885. His widow is still living in Morrisonville, N. Y. He had twin sons born July 15, 1875, and both died in infancy.

Charlotte married George A. Standish, said to be a descendant of Miles Standish. He was a lawyer in Plattsburgh. Charlotte died Oct. 22, 1895. Her husband died before her. She had two children, one who died young and Charlotte Mary. The latter married Charles Stackpole, a son of Stephen Stackpole. She died and Mr. Stackpole married a second time and is again a widower. He is now a shoe dealer in Plattsburgh. He has four children: Miles Standish, who is unmarried and lives with his father in Plattsburgh; Stewart C., who is married; Caroline Emerette, who is a teacher in New York; and George Augustus. The last one married, June 19, 1907, Jessie Pearl Teachout, a daughter of Henry Stevens Teachout from Essex Junction, Vt. He is in the boot and shoe business in Burlington, Vt.

107. Zebulon Baker (106) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1796.* He married first Deborah Reynolds,† by whom

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* Also given as Sept. 27, 1797.
† Also given as Deborah Sheldon.

he had four children. After her death he married second, Sept. 5, 1827, Elizabeth Albee, by whom he had nine children. He was yet a boy when the War of 1812 broke out, but being filled with a martial spirit he desired to enlist. His father, Capt. Baker, consented and had him mustered in as his aid. He served under his father to the end of the war, and afterward received a pension for this service. Immediately after being enrolled he and a comrade were sent out as scouts, and on their return they ran into a company of the British cavalry and narrowly escaped capture. At the engagement of Missisquoi Bay he stood fire like a veteran. The result of this battle was the complete route of the British forces on the Vermont side and the capture of a considerable amount of property. In the division of the booty Zebulon's share was $15. At the close of the war when he presented himself for his pay the pay-master asked his father, the Captain, if the boy should receive his pay. His father replied, "Yes, the boy can sign the pay-roll." He became an iron and lumber manufacturer in Saranac, N. Y., and was a successful business man for thirty-five or forty years. In politics he was a conservative whig and took an active interest in all public affairs. He was regarded as one of the substantial men of the community. He finally lost his property by putting his name on papers for two friends whom he supposed he could trust. The blow not only ruined him financially, but destroyed his health, and after five years of mental and physical suffering he died Sept. 23, 1857. His family were left in straitened circumstances and on account of their previous good fortune in which they had been reared they were ill-prepared to meet the stern conditions of their new life. He had four children by his first wife as follows:

John Sheldon;
108. Rhoda Ann, bo. Nov. 22, 1822;
Emeline.

By his second wife he had:

Eleanor Margaret, bo. Oct., 1828; died in 1830;
Deborah Ann, bo. Mar. 20, 1831; died in 1863;
109. Ruth Newcomb, bo. Sept. 11, 1832;
Daniel Webster, bo. Mar. 20, 1834;
110. Mary Elizabeth, bo. Mar. 22, 1836;

Susetta E., bo. Mar. 18, 1839;
Josephine A., bo. Nov. 20, 1844;
George Henry, bo. Mar. 22, 1849;
Nellson Albee, bo. Dec. 20, 1851.

John married Jane Roberts of Plattsburgh, N. Y. He lived in West Plattsburgh until 1849, when he left his family and went to California during the "Gold Fever." He stayed there three years and returned with a good fortune, but, not being satisfied, when the Pike's Peak excitement arose he went there and prospected and mined for two or three years with but little success. He died soon after at the home of his niece, Mrs. William D. Phifer. His wife lived with her daughter, Mrs. Bicknel, at Kearney, Neb., until her death a few years later. John had five children: Mary Jane, who married a Mr. Morrison of West Plattsburgh, N. Y., and is said to be living in Denver, Col.; Elizabeth, who married and is living somewhere in the west; Deborah, who married a Mr. Bicknell, lived for a time at Kearney, Neb., and is now living in Chicago; Alice, who married a Mr. Beemas and lives somewhere in the west; and John, who married and was for years a ticket agent on the Union Pacific Railroad, moving farther and farther west as the company desired, until the last known of him he was living in Pocatella, Nevada, where he was county clerk.

Emeline married Isaac Harrington of Peru, N. Y. They lived there for a while then moved to the Forks of the Saranac River just above Redford, where he worked in the iron works. He died a few years later. His wife, thus left with a family to care for, overtaxed her strength, but saw them all grown to manhood. Her son, James, urged his mother to come to him in Lowell, Mass. She went, but three days after her arrival died suddenly of heart failure in 1886 or 1887. She had four sons: Charles, Isaac, James, and Eugene. James never married and lived in Lowell, where he died about 1906. The other boys have wandered away and nothing is known of them.

Daniel married in February, 1861, Laura Strong of Cleveland, Ohio. He enlisted in the Civil War, Aug. 21, 1862, in Co. D, 103d Reg't. Ohio Vol. Inf. He was given a captain's commission on condition that he go into Kentucky and raise a company, which he did, bringing them safely to camp after several

skirmishes. He received a further promotion at the close of the war. He settled on a farm in Lynn county, Iowa. Later he went farther west and was often heard from, but finally disappeared and has not since been found. He had three children: Susie, who is now dead; Jefferson, who married and had one child, but afterward left home in a disturbed state of mind and nothing more is known of him; and Julia, who married and is living in Cleveland, Ohio.

Susetta married in February, 1861, Luther Pease, M. D., of Fort Dodge, Iowa. They lived in Fort Dodge until 1863 and then moved to Linn county where the doctor died about 1879 or 1881. Susetta now lives at 1263 Columbine St., Denver, Col. She has had four children: Elizabeth, who is living with her mother; Luther, who is dead; James, who is living in Mexico City; and Bell, who married a Mr. Wark and is living in St. Joseph, Mo.

Josephine married in March, 1861, Everline Bliss of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Bliss was a contractor and builder and they lived in Nottingham, Ohio, where he died Nov. 22, 1904. Josephine is living and has three children: Nelson, who married Adda Hosmer and is cashier of the bank in Nottingham; Carrie, who married Almond Dillie, who has since died and she is living, a widow, in Nottingham; and Bert, who married Kate White and is a railroad man in Nottingham.

George married in 1872 or 1873, Jennie Lewis of Lincoln, Neb. He is a farmer and real estate dealer and lives in Ursa, Ill. He has seven children: Roy, an electrician for a company in South Texas; Arthur, who is conducting a rice plantation near San Antonio, Texas; Bert, a laborer in Los Angeles, Cal.; Carrie, who married Frank Scott, a farmer near Gibbon, Neb.; Glen; Clark; and Ruth. The last three are at home.

Nelson married in 1873 Minnie Brooks of Marshalltown, Iowa. He is a dealer in Texas lands for a Chicago company and lives in New Orleans, La. He has four children: Marie, Earl, Clare, and Byrd. Earl and Clare are married and are in partnership with their father.

108. Rhoda Ann Baker (107) was born in Clinton, Co., N. Y., Nov. 22, 1822. She married in March, 1841, Frederick Clark Allen of Mooers, N. Y., where they lived for some years,

then moved to Hannibal, Mo. Mr. Allen was a millwright and a machinist and worked in the railroad shops. The date of his death was not learned. Rhoda died Feb. 1, 1895, in Hannibal. She had six children:

Juliette Sophia, bo. Sept. 22, 1842;
Gertrude Isabel, bo. Mar. 17, 1844;
Charles Patridge, bo. Dec. 27, 1846;
Juna Jennette, bo. Sept. 12, 1849;
George Baker, bo. June 15, 1852; died young;
Clarissa Louise, bo. Oct. 15, 1856; d. Nov. 17, 1867.

Juliette married first a Mr. Hygus and after his death she married a Miller and now lives in Boone, Iowa.

Gertrude married, Nov. 23, 1870, Alpha Kenyon of Hannibal, Mo., and has two children, Juna Elizabeth, who is at home, and Alpha, who is now in the Gorgona Canal Zone, Isthmus of Panama.

Charles married and is said to be living in Denver, Col. He and his two sons are engaged in establishing waterworks in the west and northwest.

Juna was born in Mooers Forks, N. Y., and married John Brown Lennon at Hannibal, Mo., April 5, 1871. After her marriage she lived in Denver, Col., for a time, but is now living in Bloomington, Ill. She has one son, John Frederick, who was born June 19, 1873, in Denver, and married, Apr. 5, 1897, Elizabeth Swift Dewey in New York City. John has one son, John Dewey, born about 1898.

109. Ruth Newcomb Baker (107) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Sept. 11, 1832. She married, Sept. 11, 1860, Edward Lanning Dodder, who was born Aug. 28, 1826, a son of Charles Rhodes Dodder and Sarah Lanning. Mr. Dodder was a minister of the Presbyterian church. They lived in Iowa from 1860 to 1876 and since that time in Omaha, Neb., where Mr. Dodder died July 14, 1898. Ruth is still living in Omaha. She has three children:

Sarah Elizabeth, bo. Nov. 15, 1865;
Mallie Stoll, bo. Nov. 17, 1867;
Edward Lanning, bo. Apr. 22, 1869.

Sarah married, Jan. 4, 1889, James S. Ewart. The marriage was unfortunate and, after many years of suffering and

with her health broken, she obtained a divorce in 1902. With what little she had she removed to Los Angeles, Cal., where she has built cottages for rent and thus supports herself. She has three children: Irving, Inez, and Ruth. The first two are in college and Ruth is with her mother.

Mallie married first, June 4, 1891, Oscar Smith of Delaware, N. J. He was a cashier of the Bank of Commerce of Grand Island, Neb., where he died Jan. 22, 1896. Mallie married again, Dec. 22, 1904, H. M. Murray, a railroad man, and they live in Omaha, Neb. Mallie has one child by her first husband, Merle D., who is now in Belview College, Neb.

Edward married, Apr. 28, 1890, Jessie Burkett of Grand Island, Neb. He was assistant cashier of the Bank of Commerce of Grand Island for three years. He was then elected state bank examiner and held the office for three years, being the youngest man ever elected to that position. He is now living in Omaha, Neb., engaged in the undertaking and embalming business, into which he was thrown by chance.

110. Mary Elizabeth Baker (107) was born in Clinton county, N. Y., Mar. 22, 1836.* She married, Jan. 22, 1855, Luther Rugg Curtis, who was born Dec. 25, 1826, a farmer of Saranac, N. Y. He enlisted in the Civil War and died Sept. 27, 1870, from injuries received in that strife. Mary has had three children:

Susette Edith, bo. May 7, 1858;
Fannie A.;
Emma L.

Susette married, Oct. 23, 1897, the Rev. William D. Phifer, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is living in Denver, Col. She has two children: Luther Claire, born Sept. 9, 1885; and Wendell Dow, born Aug. 10, 1897.

Fannie married William Alexander and lives in Mt. Vernon, Ia.

Emma married E. Curtis and lives in Indianapolis, Ind.

111. James Baker (106) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Feb. 10, 1799. He married, Apr. 29, 1821, Erexena Roberts,

* Also given as 1837.

who was born Feb. 6, 1795, a daughter of John Roberts and Edna ———. His wife died Jan. 6, 1883, and he died Sept. 30, 1883. He had five children as follows:

112. Fred Seleucia, bo. Aug. 9, 1822;
113. Hannah Ann, bo. July 22, 1824;
116. James Smith, bo. Dec. 25, 1828;
117. William, bo. Nov. 27, 1831;
118. Charlotte, bo. June 14, 1834.

112. Fred Seleucia Baker (111) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1822. He married, Aug. 8, 1849, Mary Ostrander, who was born Sept. 29, 1828, a daughter of James Ostrander and Huldah ———. He was a lumber merchant and lived in West Plattsburgh, where he died Apr. 12, 1905. He had four children as follows:

George, bo. Mar. 27, 1850; d. Jan. 11, 1881, unmar.;
Ella, bo. Apr. 29, 1852; d. Nov. 29, 1863;
Mary, bo. Nov. 14, 1853;
Fred, bo. May 28, 1864.

Mary married, June 13, 1878, Herbert Bidwell, a son of Dr. L. F. Bidwell. She died Sept. 18, 1879, leaving no issue.

Fred married, Oct. 31, 1887, Minnie Reed, who was born Aug. 3, 1865, a daughter of Richard Reed and Helen Rea. He was a millwright and lives in West Plattsburgh. He has had two children: Mame H., born Mar. 15, 1891, and Helen L., born Nov. 12, 1902.

113. Hannah Ann Baker (111) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., July 22, 1824. She married, Mar. 28, 1844, William Ostrander, who was born Apr. 16, 1818, a son of James Ostrander and Huldah ———, and hence a brother of Mary Ostrander who married Hannah's brother. Mr. Ostrander was a carpenter and joiner and lived in West Plattsburgh, where he died Apr. 17, 1901. Hannah was still living in 1907, though very feeble, with her son's wife in Morrisonville, N. Y. She had two children:

114. Frederick, bo. Mar. 16, 1848;
115. Charles Henry, bo. Oct. 17, 1850.

114. Frederick Ostrander (113) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Mar. 16, 1848. He married, Aug 24, 1869, Sarah

Frances Howe, who was born in Beekmantown, N. Y., July 3, 1850, a daughter of Ira D. Howe and Frances Williams. He was a merchant in Morrisonville, N. Y., and died there Apr. 24, 1907. His widow still lives in Morrisonville and with her sons conducts the business. He had four children:

Henry Milton, bo. June 1, 1872;
Stuart Leslie, bo. July 24, 1877;
Wallace Foote, bo. Sept. 22, 1883;
Ross Howe, bo. Apr. 13, 1890.

Henry married Ruhamah Wood, a daughter of Albert Wood and Minnie ———. He is a clerk in a hardware store in Malone, N. Y. He has two children: Mary Frances and William Howard.

Stuart married, Apr. 26, 1905, Mrs. Delia Gibney, widow of Richard Gibney. She was Delia Sullivan, a daughter of Dennis Sullivan and Honor Leigh, and was born Feb. 18, 1870. Stuart keeps a hotel at West Plattsburgh. He has two children: Elizabeth, born Jan. 7, 1906; and Frederick Smith, born Feb. 12, 1907.

Wallace and Ross are unmarried and live at home with their mother.

115. Charles Henry Ostrander (113) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Oct. 17, 1850. He married first, in 1877, Julia Annettie Broadwell, who was born Aug. 25, 1855, a daughter of DeWitt Clinton Broadwell and Helen Broadwell.* His wife died Mar. 7, 1883, and he married second Kate Trombly, a daughter of Lawrence Trombly and ——— Phelps. He had two children by his first wife:

Earl, bo. Oct. 14, 1879;
Catharine, bo. June 10, 1881.

Earl is not married.

Catharine married William Rogers, a son of a Methodist minister of Plattsburgh. He is a salesman and now lives in Washington, D. C.

116. James Smith Baker (111) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Dec. 25, 1828. He married, Dec. 29, 1856, Ann Rutherford, who was born Apr. 1, 1824, at Montreal, Canada. He

* Her maiden name. What relation she may have been to her husband is not known.

was a carpenter and moved west to Amboy, Lee Co., Ill., where his wife died July 15, 1878. After her death he moved to Denver, Col., and died there Dec. 14, 1901. He had the following children, all born in Amboy, Ill.:

Lottie, bo. Oct. 8, 1857; d. Nov. 3, 1857;
Francis Eugene, bo. Mar. 16, 1860;
Kate E., bo. Apr. 6, 1864; d. Oct. 25, 1867.

Francis married, June 8, 1887, Emma Bowman. He lives in Tampa, Florida. He is a telegraph operator. He has one child, James, born in October, 1889.

117. William Baker (111) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1831. He married, Dec. 29, 1870, Maria Thompson. He was a carpenter and lived in Plattsburgh, where he died. His wife is now (1907) living in Plattsburgh. He had three children:

Ralph, bo. Dec. 1, 1871;
Frank E., bo. Jan. 9, 1877;
Jacob Cleveland, bo. Oct. 19, 1882.

Ralph married first Grace Emery and second, June 21, 1899, Ethel A. Olds, who was born Mar. 21, 1875. He is a clerk in a hardware store in Burlington, Vermont. He has no children.

Frank and Jacob are unmarried. The former is in the lumber business in Elizabeth, N. J., and the latter is storekeeper for the Delaware and Hudson Railroad in Plattsburgh.

118. Charlotte Baker (111) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 14, 1834. She married Levi Finn. He died Oct. 1, 1887. She died May 18, 1902. She had four children:

Nellie, died young;
Frank;
Fred;
Lottie, died young.

Frank married Minnie Vincent. He is a clothing merchant in Plattsburgh and has three children; Margurite, Frances, and Leo.

Fred married Della Bully May 20, 1903. He is a dry-goods merchant in Plattsburgh. He has no children.

119. Rebecca Baker (106) was born in West Plattsburgh, Sept. 15, 1801. She married, Sept. 30, 1820, Benjamin

Vaughan, who was born Nov. 4, 1791, a son of Benjamin Vaughan* and Sylvina Averill. Rebecca was not a strong woman and died soon after the birth of her second child, Sept. 11, 1825. Her husband married second, Feb. 15, 1827, Hannah Comstock, who was born in September, 1804.† Mr. Vaughan was a shoemaker by trade and lived near Plattsburgh, where he died Jan. 30, 1875. Rebecca had two children:

120. George B., bo. Nov. 12, 1821;
Nathan, bo. Aug. 22, 1825.

Nathan married Mary Newton, a sister of his brother's wife. When but a child he was given away to a family by the name of White who took him to Ohio.‡ The first letter he wrote back traveled for three years before it reached the family. He became a farmer in Ohio, where he died. His wife was living in the fall of 1906. He had two children, but nothing more is known of them.

120. George B. Vaughan (119) was born in Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 12, 1821. He married Alma Newton, a sister of his brother's wife. He was a soldier in the Civil War and enlisted in the 142nd N. Y. Vol. Inf. He had five children as follows:

Emma;
Laura;
Herbert;
Smith;
Jennie.

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* This Benjamin Vaughan was a Revolutionary soldier, serving in the New Hampshire militia and also in the Continental Line. He went with Benedict Arnold to Quebec and was also engaged at the Battle of Bennington, where he was slightly wounded. He was a Baptist preacher after the Revolution, was married three times, and had nineteen children. He was descended from a David Vaughan of Wales. For further particulars of the Vaughan family see "Some Statements as to the Ancestry of the Vaughan Family" by Nathan A. Vaughan.

† Benjamin Vaughan's children by his second wife were:
Lucious, bo. Dec. 25, 1827; d. July 26, 1829;
William, bo. Dec. 3, 1829; d. Feb. 1, 1833;
Emeline, bo. Dec. 2, 1831;
Rebecca, bo. July 30, 1833;
Smith, bo. Sept. 7, 1835;
Mariah, bo. Dec. 19, 1837; d. June 23, 1845;
Lucy, bo. Mar. 22, 1842;
Albert, bo. Sept. 13, 1844.

‡ Probably William White who married Margaret Banker. See page 69.

Emma married a Childs, a farmer at Chazy, and has two children: Eva, who married Edwin Bullis, perhaps a son of Rebecca Banker;* and Roy. Roy and his mother live at 8 Peru St., Plattsburgh.

Laura married Edwin Ladd, a farmer of Chazy. He is dead and she is living on Peru St., Plattsburgh. She has one child, Edith, who married Benjamin Comstock, a printer.

Herbert married Anna Minkler. She has died. He is a farmer and has several children, but nothing further was learned of them.

Smith married and went west. Nothing further is known of him.

Jennie married Dean Nichols, a farmer of Chazy. He is dead. She has four children and lives at Chazy, N. Y.

121. Sally Baker (106) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Apr. 9, 1804. She married, Oct. 10, 1827, Nathan A. Vaughan, who was born Sept. 11, 1801, a son of Benjamin Vaughan† and Sylvina Averill. He was, therefore, a brother of Benjamin Vaughan who married Sally's sister Rebecca. At the age of twenty, Mr. Vaughan learned the blacksmith's trade of his brother Henry,‡ with whom he also worked one year on shares, then went into business for himself, hiring his shop and tools of John Banker,§ an uncle of his wife. With this man he also lived for two years. In 1839 he secured the Post Office at West Plattsburgh and held it for twenty years. In 1868, being then 67 years old, he wrote a brief account of the Vaughan family, which was afterward copied by Miss Rebecca Vaughan and published in 1904.¶ Mr. Vaughan states in this work that his wife was born May 8, 1805. The date I have given above is from the family record. He died in West Plattsburgh Oct. 13, 1883. Sally died at Mendota, Ill., Nov. 25, 1896. She had five children as follows:

122. Calvin Demming, bo. July 28, 1828;
Cornelius Halsey, bo. Nov. 7, 1831;

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* See page 123.
† See page 135.
‡ See page 78.
§ See page 98.
¶ I am greatly indebted to this little brochure for much of my information concerning this family.

Cornelia Louisa, bo. Dec. 11, 1834; d. Feb. 20, 1835;
William Ransom, bo. July 20, 1839;
123. Charlotte Elizabeth, bo. June 19, 1847.

Cornelius, after obtaining some education from the schools of Plattsburgh and especially at Fairfax, Vt., took up the study of medicine with Dr. L. F. Bidwell* and finally graduated with honor from the Albany Medical College. He first located at Pecatonica, Ill., where he was successful and soon married Lucy Balch, who was born Feb. 9, 1839. She was a daughter of Deacon Chester Balch and Lucy Smedley and a sister of the wife of Cornelius's brother, Calvin. After his marriage Cornelius removed to Amboy, Ill. A year or two later his father-in-law's wife died, and Deacon Balch persuaded him to come back to Plattsburgh and take his farm and so provide a home for him. A year later, the Civil War having begun, he joined the 96th N. Y. Vol. Inf. as assistant surgeon and served through the Peninsular Campaign. He was then promoted to be surgeon of the 43rd Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf., and for a time had charge of the United States Hospital at Beaufort, N. C. He served through the war, during which his wife and infant son died. After the war he went into the wholesale grocery business in Lafayette, Ind., and later practiced his profession in Brooklyn, N. Y. His wife died July 30, 1863, and he married second Edna L. Watkins, who was born Dec. 9, 1849, a daughter of Phoebe and Cephas Watkins. Cornelius died May 10, 1899, at Malone, N. Y., where his widow now lives. He left no issue.

William was never strong, having some heart trouble. He became a clerk and traveling agent. He lived for a time at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. He was drafted during the Civil War, but was given exemption on account of his heart trouble. He then went west and became a traveler for his brother's firm at Lafayette, Ind. Afterward he was for a time in the lumber business with Kinner S. Newcomb.† He married Mattie Bush and had one child, Helen, who was living in Amboy, Ill, the last known. He and his wife are both dead.

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* See page 133.
† See page 93.

122. Calvin Demming Vaughan (121) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., July 28, 1828. When a young man he tried school teaching but found it distasteful, and when twenty-one he became deputy clerk in the County Clerk's office of Clinton county, serving throughout one term. He then went west and settled in Amboy, Ill., where he engaged in the furniture and undertaking business and prospered with the growing town. The next year he returned to Plattsburgh and married, Feb. 22, 1855, Louise Marie Balch, who was born Aug. 18, 1829, a daughter of Deacon Chester Balch* and Lucy Smedley, and hence a sister of his brother Cornelius's wife. He returned at once to Amboy, where he became prominent in the affairs of the city. He was elected mayor in 1866 and again in 1867. He is dead but his widow is still living (1907) in Amboy. He had six children:

Charlotte Louise, bo. Apr. 17, 1858;
Harriet Demming, bo. Nov. 7, 1860;
Frank C., bo. Mar. 17, 1863;
Fred N., bo. Feb. 1, 1865;
Wallace Baker, bo. Mar. 11, 1867;
Louis S., bo. Feb. 9, 1869.

Charlotte married, Dec. 25, 1878, Peleg Miner James, who was born July 14, 1850, a son of Sally Ann and Peleg William James. He is a lawyer and they live in Amboy, Ill. Charlotte has six children: Harold Demming, born Apr. 12, 1881, graduated from the University of Illinois in 1902, with the degree of A. B., and is now studying law; Leonard Vaughan, born June 9, 1884, graduated in 1906 also from the University of Illinois with the degree of B. S. and is now an assistant in the Electrical Engineering Laboratory of the University; Herbert Miner, born Feb. 13, 1886, now a student in New York University; Louise Ann, born Apr. 22, 1890, now in the University of Illinois; Edward Allen, born Feb. 3, 1893; and Harriet Lillian, born Nov. 18, 1895.

Harriet is unmarried and lives with her mother in Amboy.

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* Deacon Balch was a brother of Emily Balch, who married James W. Banker. See page 107.

Frank married, Feb. 25, 1881, Carrie Brigs. He is in the furniture and undertaking business in Amboy, Ill. He has two children, Frank B. and Edith C.

Fred married, Nov. 26, 1887, Elizabeth Jeannette Poland, who was born Dec. 8, 1866, a daughter of Andrew Jackson Poland and Caroline Potter. He is President of the First National Bank of Amboy, Ill. He has three children as follows: Glenn Poland, born Sept. 29, 1890; Jeanette Louise, born Mar. 4, 1892; and Fred Nathan, born May 14, 1896.

Wallace married, Jan. 18, 1893, Helen Doty who was born July 11, 1871, a daughter of Fred R. Doty and Fannie Bridgemann. He is a banker in Thomson, Iowa. He had two children; Wallace Baker, born Aug. 24, 1899, and Donald LeRoy, born May 27, 1905.

Louis is in Butte, Montana, in a bank.

123. Charlotte Elizabeth Vaughan (121) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 19, 1847. When a little girl but four years old she was terribly bitten in the face by a fierce dog which badly mutilated her and nearly killed her. She recovered but was for many years frail and delicate. She afterward went west and lived with her brother Calvin in Amboy, Ill., where her health improved and she set up a millinery business. She married, Feb. 26, 1878, Philip Elliott Haines who was born Feb. 10, 1846, a son of George W. Haines and Isabelle Elliott. He is a harness-maker. After her marriage Mrs. Haines lived in Amboy for a time, then moved to Franklin Grove, and after two years went to Mendota. From there she went to Aurora, Ill., and for the last six years she has lived in Plainfield, Ill. She has two children:

Fred Elliott, bo. Mar. 14, 1879;
Alice Lillian, bo. June 30, 1881.

Fred married, June 25, 1902, Mary D——. He is a conductor on the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad and resides at Savanna, Ill. He has one child; Joseph William, born Dec. 15, 1906.

Alice married, June 25, 1901, Arthur M. Smith. He is "Supreme Officer in the American Stars of Equity." They reside at 30 Lincoln Ave., Freeport, Ill.

124. CHARLES BAKER (106) was born in West Plattsburgh, N. Y., Jan. 16, 1812. He married Anise Norcross who was born in 1814, a daughter of Stephen Norcross*. He was a farmer at West Plattsburgh where he died June 17, 1887, his wife having died Sept. 29, 1856. He had four children as follows:

Mariah, bo. —— died young;
Charles Henry, bo. July 27, 1840;
George Richard, bo. Oct. 11, 1844; d. in 1868;
Edgar David, bo. Apr. 29, 1849.

Charles married Margaret Haig who was born Nov. 22, 1850, a daughter of Thomas Haig and Helen Walker. He is a farmer and has lived at Ellenburgh Center most of his life, but since 1905 he has lived retired at Morrisonville, N. Y. He has no children.

Edgar married Helen May Russel, a daughter of Henry Russel from Vermont. He is a farmer at West Plattsburgh and has four children; Katharine, George, Helen May, and Hazel Elizabeth. None of these are married.

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* Mr. Norcross was a soldier of the War of 1812 and was shot at the battle of Plattsburgh.

CHAPTER XI.

THE ADOLPH BANCKER FAMILY.

125. ADOLPH BANCKER (1) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow in 1701. The record does not give any further date than the year, which would seem to indicate that it was not entered at the time of the baptism.* It is further notable that he was the first of Lauren's children to be recorded in the Sleepy Hollow records and that he was the last child by his first wife. The next child, the first by his second wife, was baptized in New York, as had been the earlier children, but thereafter all the children were baptized at Sleepy Hollow. This peculiar irregularity I have not been able to explain. Adolph was married, Jan. 16, 1724-5, to Maritje Schouten who was born at Courtland Manor. It is probable that she was the daughter of Symon Schoute and Ypje Jans and was baptized in New York May 6, 1703. Maritje appears to have had a brother, Andries, baptized Oct. 22, 1699, when the parents' names are given as "Simon Schoute and Lypje Valentyn." This would indicate that the father of Lypje or Ypje was Jan Valentyn. No further trace was found of him. In 1723 the "Widow of Simon Schouten" was taxed £16. She was then living in the "South Ward" of Dutchess county. This included what is now Putnam county. At that time there were about forty-five taxable inhabitants in this region, of whom the "widow" was the most heavily taxed, the next in amount of taxation being John Schouten, perhaps her son. This would indicate that the Schouten family was well off for that time and region.

After his marriage Adolph lived at Philipsburgh for a number of years. He held the office of deacon in the Sleepy Hollow Church in 1736 and again in 1738. As late as April 10, 1739, he witnessed a baptism there, but between 1741 and 1744 he and others migrated to Crum Elbow Precinct, now the vi-

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* The present book of records was not begun until 1715; the entries of baptisms occurring before that date were compiled from various memoranda kept by the pastors and the clerk.

cinity of Hyde Park, in Dutchess county. In 1741, he with Frans Van Dyck and Joos Garrison, all of Westchester county, purchased a tract of seven hundred acres of land, being a part of the tract in Dutchess county known as the Nine Partners Patent. This seven hundred acre tract was sold by the proprietors for £210 to defray the expense of a division of the patent. Nov. 30, 1744, the three owners, now all of Crum Elbow Precinct, signed a deed of partition by which Adolph received as his share 234 acres located in the center of the tract. On Dec. 8, Adolph deeded his lot to Bastean Trever for £115. After this transaction all further trace of Adolph is lost. He had at least four children and probably more. They are as follows:

126. Nathaniel, bo. Nov. 27, 1727;
Janitie, bp. Apr. 24, 1731;
Jan, bp. June 26, 1733;
Jeremias, bp. Apr. 1, 1735.

Janitie was baptized at Sleepy Hollow. She married, Oct. 9, 1756, Johannes Van Tassel, possibly a son of Hendrick Van Tassel and Belytie Buys, and if so baptized Apr. 23, 1734. She had at least five children as follows: Hendrick, bapt. May 3, 1757; Frederick, born Apr. 5, 1761, bapt. June 27; Philippus, bapt. Apr. 30, 1763; Rachel, bapt. June 30, 1764; and Engeltje, bapt. Nov. 10, 1766. This family was traced no further.

Jan was baptized at Sleepy Hollow. It seems probable that he was the John Bancker of Fishkill who made his will December 22, 1796, and which was proved May 8, 1801. He was a farmer and had, according to his will, at least eight children; Hannah, Zeruiah, Phoebe, Nathaniel, Mary, John, Isaac, and Joseph. The last two were under twenty-one years of age in 1796. Nathaniel was executor of the will. A Phoebe Banker married Richard Travers Feb. 16, 1806. Nathaniel probably was the Revolutionary soldier who served as corporal in Capt. Thomas Lee's Company (also known as Col. Lewis Dubois's Company) in the 5th Reg't of the New York Line commanded by Col. Dubois. He received his appointment Jan. 1, 1777, and was discharged Dec. 11, 1779, having enlisted for three years. He afterward served in Col. Abraham Brinckerhoff's Reg't of Dutchess county Militia in the years 1779 and 1780, the latter

service ending June 12, for which he received 12s. 2½d. Nathaniel seems to have married Elizabeth Humphrey and had David, born Nov. 16, 1786, and baptized in New Hackensack. He appears to have had also a daughter, Phoebe, bapt. at Hopewell May 7, 1782, but his name is given as Nathaniel Baker. His wife, however, was Elizabeth Humphrey. Further items in the Hopewell records are as follows: married, Mar. 22, 1805, Daniel Giles and Phoebe Baker; July 12, 1807, Jonathan Baker and Jane Van Vleght. It looks as though the Hopewell records had erroneously written Baker for Banker, yet these records may represent a different family. At Poughkeepsie is a record of letters of administration granted Apr. 19, 1809, in the estate of Nathaniel Banker who died intestate. No citation was found. Nothing further could be discovered of Jan's family.

Jeremias was also baptized at Sleepy Hollow. He enlisted Apr. 25, 1758, in Capt. John Verplank's Company for the French and Indian War. He is described as 5ft. 7½in. high with gray eyes and a round, ruddy face. He may have been the brother mentioned in Nathaniel's will.* If so, he had a son, Jeremiah, but nothing more is known about him or his family.

126. Nathaniel Banker (125) was born probably Nov. 27, 1727,† and was baptized in New York in the Dutch Reformed Church Mar. 20, 1728. He married, May 21, 1747, Hannah Conklin who was born Sept. 24, 1729. He settled on a farm in Rumbout's Precinct in the vicinity of Fishkill, Dutchess Co. His wife died sometime after 1764, and he married second, June 2, 1768, Annatje DeWitt at Poughkeepsie. She was baptized Oct. 5, 1729, and was a daughter of Lucas DeWitt and Catharine Roosa and a great-granddaughter of Tjerck Claessen DeWitt who came from "Grootholdt et Zunderlandt" in 1662. Nathaniel made his will June 9, 1772, being at the time "very sick." As it was probated July 16, 1772, he must have died soon after the date of the will. After providing for funeral expenses and debts, he gives first, to his wife Annatje, "one cow and four pounds in money for her Dowre"; second, "to my son Stephen five Pounds for his Birth-Right"; third, the wife and children to

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* See page 145.

† The family record gives his birth as Nov. 27, 1728, but the church record gives his baptism as Mar. 20, 1728. It seems probable that there is a mistake of one year in the family record.

be in possession of all property till fall, then the estate both real and personal to be sold at Public Vendue and the money to be equally divided between "my wife Annatje, and my son Stephen, and my son Adolph, my daughter Mary, and my daughter Elizabeth, and my daughter Magdalene, excepting a Reduction to be made of thirty pounds of Stephen's portion, likewise of Mary, what she hath had as Inventory Taken and so to be Reducted out of her portion, and to my brother's son Jeremiah, I give ten pounds when he comes to the age of twenty-one, and to be put out to a trade as he chooses to go to"; lastly, "that my wearing clothes to be equally divided between my two sons Stephen and Adolph, and my two youngest daughters to be put out to Christian people by my executors and the two gray horses to be sold together for a team." Nathaniel dropped the e from his name. All of his children were by his first wife and were as follows:

127. Mary, bo. Oct. 29, 1748 or 9;*
Stephen, bo. Feb. 5, 1752;
131. Adolph, bo. Mar. 27, 1754;
Sarah, bo. June 16, 1756;
204. Elizabeth, bo. Sept. 19, 1759;
Magdalene, bo. Jan. 20, 1764.

Stephen never married. He was born in New Castle, Westchester Co., N. Y. He was a soldier of the Revolution, serving at various times in the Line and in the Militia. He enlisted first from Fishkill, Dutchess Co., in June, 1776, for six months in Capt. Thomas Storms Company of Col. John Bailey's Reg't and took active part in the battle of White Plains. He enlisted again in March, 1777, for nine months in Capt. James Rosecran's Company of Col. Livingston's Reg't and took part in the battles of Stillwater and the capture of Burgoyne. He enlisted a third time in April, 1778, and served until Jan. 14, 1779, in Capt. James Sleight's Company of Col. Livingston's Reg't. He also served for various short periods in the militia. He received a pension of $80 a year from Mar. 4, 1831. He died Feb. 28, 1838, at Mastin Brundage's near Johnsonville, Rensselaer Co., N. Y. He is described as a short, fleshy man who talked very little.

* The last figure of the year is blotted in the record, but is either an 8 or a 9.

Sarah married John Losee and lived for a time at least near Hopewell, Dutchess Co., N. Y. She died April 12, 1836. She had at least one son, John, born Dec. 19, 1777. The family has been traced no further*.

Magdalene has been lost trace of.

127. Mary Banker (126) was born near Fishkill, Dutchess Co., N. Y., Oct. 29, 1748 or 1749. She married Paul Vandervort. It is said that he was born on the shores of the Wallabout on Long Island and that before the Revolution he taught a Dutch school. He was a Revolutionary soldier and had a brother who was killed in the war. He served in Col. Jacobus Swarthout's Minute Men of the Dutchess county Militia. He was present at the hanging of Andre and about that time was put in charge of six soldiers left behind on account of sickness. He said that the only thing he ever stole was a sheep for those soldiers. He was finally discharged at Newburgh. After the war he drifted north with other members of the family to Rensselaer county and then to Saratoga county, but afterwards returned to Dutchess county and for many years tended a toll-gate some nine miles from Poughkeepsie. He lived to be 85 years old, never used glasses, and had fine teeth. In his last days he was very fond of playing the violin and telling war stories. It is not known when Mary died, but Mr. Vandervort married a second time having, it is said, one daughter by his second marriage. Mary had at least three children:

Jan, bo. May 5, 1781;
128. Nathaniel;
(A daughter).

Nothing further is known of Jan. The daughter whose name is lost is said to have married a John Losee and to have had at least one son named Paul. She lived in Dutchess Co.

128. Nathaniel Vandervort (127) lived in Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., and died in Troy about 1817. Nothing

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*I am told that the Losees were tories. In the records of the Revolution I have found a John Losee who was arrested in 1777 and again in 1778 as a suspect near Fishkill; also a John Losee who served in Col. Roswell Hopkins' Reg't in 1777 at Peekskill and in 1779 at Fishkill. The latter was associated in the service with Stephen Banker, the brother of Sarah above.

more is known of him nor is it known whom he married. He had two children as follows:

129. Orsemus, bo. Mar. 22, 1809;
Mary.

Mary married George Conklin. Little is known of the family. She had at least one child, Elmira A., bo. Aug. 16, 1840. The latter married B. E. Fay and was living at 2441, 11th Ave., New York City, in 1902. She has had one son, Emmet.

129. Orsemus Vandervort (128) was born in Amenia, Dutchess Co., N. Y., Mar. 22, 1809. He married Abby Winney who was born Dec. 16, 1807. She died Jan. 21, 1869. Mr. Vandervort was for many years a United States Revenue Collector. The last twenty-five years of his life he lived in Clifton Park, Saratoga Co., N. Y., where he was interviewed when he was over ninety years old by the writer and most of the information concerning the descendants of Mary Banker was obtained from his memory. He was at that time a vigorous man for his age with clear mind and apparently trustworthy memory. Where it was possible to verify his statements by written records he was found to have been accurate. He remembered clearly his grandfather, Paul, as well as also his uncle, Adolph Banker, with whom he lived for a time after his father's death. He died a few months after this interesting interview on Dec. 27, 1900. He had three children as follows:

Orsemus, bo. Oct. 15, 1830;
130. Adrian, bo. Dec. 21, 1832;
Laura, bo. Dec. 17, 1841.

Orsemus married Lucy Davis of Otisco, N. Y. He entered the Civil War as 1st Lieutenant in the 77th (?) N. Y. Vol. Inf. He was living in Colon, Mich., the last that was known of him. He had four children; Lizzie, Horace Henry, and Carl R. Lizzie married in Crescent, N. Y., and died without issue. She is buried in the Crescent Cemetery. Carl married Lottie E., daughter of Guy Anderson of Colon, Mich., Aug. 28, 1895. Nothing more could be learned of this family.

Laura married James F. Ross in Otisco, N. Y., and went to Beloit, Wisconsin. She has had at least two children; Charles who is dead and Vandervort. Nothing more was learned of her family.

130. Adrian Vandervort (129) was born Dec. 21, 1832. He married in Nov. (?), 1854, Calista Lyon who was born Feb. 25, 1835, a daughter of Daniel and Dorcas Lyon. He entered the Civil War as a private in the 12th N. Y. Vol. Inf. and served two years and nine months. He went to New Orleans under Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, was in Banks' Red River Expedition, and was at Port Hudson. He returned just before the close of the war, having been promoted on the field at Port Hudson to the rank of lieutenant. After the war he lived in Troy, N. Y., where he was for several years on the old Capitol Police force. He died there June 8, 1896, his wife having died Oct. 5, 1886. He had six children as follows:

Fred D., bo. Nov. 14, 1855;
Jennie L., bo. Jan. 13, 1857; d. Aug. 6, 1864;
Addie L., bo. Oct. 30, 1858; d. Oct. 17, 1886;
Abbie I., bo. Oct. 7, 1870;
Charles E., bo. May 22, 1873;
Adrian Orsemus, bo. Apr. 13, 1876.

Fred married, Dec. 3, 1876, Anna E. Robertson who was born Dec. 3, 1855, a daughter of Peter and Jane Robertson of Borodino, N. Y. He is a locomotive engineer on the Boston and Maine Railroad and lives at 488 Ninth St., Troy, N. Y. He has three children; Jennie C., born Oct. 15, 1880; Leon F., born June 25, 1882; and Arthur L., born May 13, 1885.

Charles married, Nov. 29, 1893, Tillie McClum, a daughter of H. McClum of Troy. Nothing further is known of him.

Adrian graduated from Purdue University, La Fayette, Ind., in the class of 1900.

131. Adolph Banker (126) was born in Fishkill, Dutchess Co., N. Y., Mar. 27, 1754. He married, Jan. 1, 1778, Ruth Oakley who was born Oct. 21, 1756. She had a brother William*, but her parents are not known. She died in Johnsonville, N. Y., at

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* William Oakley married first Dorcas Reynolds. He settled in Schaghticoke on the north bank of the Tomhannock Creek, about a half-mile east of Schaghticoke Hill when this region was nearly all forest. He sold this tract to his brother-in-law, Adolph Banker, and afterwards lived in Schroon, N. Y. Later he lived with his youngest son, David R., at Bemis Heights. He finally married a second time a widow, name unknown, and is believed to have died in Lansingburgh, N. Y. He had seven children; Phoebe, Clara, John, Jesse, Gilbert, William, and David R. The last died in August, 1853, lacking only ten days of being 85 years old.

the home of her son Timothy Sept. 8, 1838. Her grandson, George W. Grant,* informed me that when he was about ten years old she visited his home and distributed among her grandchildren a quantity of Continental paper money. He received two ten dollar certificates as his share. On asking his mother afterwards how grandmother came to have so much money she replied that grandfather, meaning her own grandfather, had given it to her mother and that he got it in payment for cattle that he had sold to the American Army during the Revolution. It was Grant's impression that she meant her grandfather Banker, but it seems altogether probable that it was the grandfather Oakley that was referred to. Adolph served on several occasions in the militia during the Revolution. He appears to have enlisted first in Capt. Stephen Duryea's Company July 30, 1776, and is described as "Aged 22; born in Fishkill; stature 5ft. 5½ inches; fresh brown hair." He served as a corporal in Col. Samuel Drake's Reg't, Third Westchester Co. Militia, to June 20, 1779, for which he received £1 19s. 2d. and again as private to June 6, 1781, for which he received 5s. 4d. From June 7 to 12, 1780, he was called out in Capt. Nicholas Brower's Company of Col. Abram Brinckerhoff's Reg't, 2nd Dutchess Co. Militia, on a general alarm to repel the enemy by order of Gov. Clinton. For this five days service he received 11s. 4½d. He also served in Col. Jacobus Swartwout's New York Regiment of Minute-men.

After the Revolution he and his wife migrated to Rensselaer county and it is believed first settled near Lansingburgh. He soon moved to Schaghticoke where he was living in 1790, and finally to Pittstown adjoining. He lived on various farms along the north side of the Tomhannock Creek. It is told that the eldest of his children, Hannah, often went through the woods nearly to Johnsonville, 6 miles, after the cows, taking her gun with her and on the way home sometimes heard the panthers scream in the woods. He and his wife began very poor and it is said that their first bed was made of boards, but he got to be well off. He is said to have made his money trading. He began by trading horses and then traded farms. He is reported to have traded farms three times in one year. He was a man of few words, but would sit with his thumb in his mouth and trotting

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* See page 170.

his knee, a favorite attitude,—then a trade was coming. Presently he would look up and say, "Mammy, I can trade this farm with so and so, and I will make so much." He established his credit with the farmers by borrowing money when he had no use for it and then paying it back a little before it was due. In this way he was always able to secure money for a trade. He finally bought a farm at Johnsonville of Hoos, a tavern-keeper, and then bought additional of Van Wert. The farm thus formed became the Banker homestead. The Boston and Maine Railroad now passes through it, and the site of the old house is opposite and a little west of the station. The present brick house was built by his son Timothy on the old site.

Adolph died Jan. 22,* 1822 . He and his wife are buried in the Millertown graveyard. His will was made Oct. 2, 1820. He distributed his property equally to his children, except $1000 given to his wife. Besides a farm of 285 acres, he had personal property that inventoried at $7,681.87. The inventory contains some interesting items among which may be noted the following standing together; "Red cow $16. Red and white cow $14.50. Black girl 5 yrs. old $1." This black girl was known as Dean. She afterwards married Peter Mathers, and some of her descendants still live in Schaghticoke. Adolph had seven children as follows:

132. Hannah, bo. Jan 1, 1779;
161. Nathaniel, bo. Nov. 3, 1780;
165. William, bo. May 5, 1783;
Stephen, bo. July 2, 1785; d. Dec. 15, 1794;
175. Eunice, bo. June 27, 1788;
193. John, bo. Nov. 2, 1794;
199. Timothy, bo. Jan. 24, 1797.

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* The gravestone says Jan. 24.

CHAPTER XII

THE GRANT FAMILY.

132. Hannah Banker (131) was born Jan 1, 1779.* She married, Mar. 24, 1799, Peter Grant† who was born in Dutchess county, N. Y., Apr. 16, 1778, and came to Schaghticoke, Rensselaer Co., at an early date. He lived on various farms in the latter town and in the adjoining town of Easton in Washington county during the rest of his life. He was a very sociable man and was generally known in the community as "Uncle Peter." He died near Johnsonville, N. Y., July 25, 1859. Hannah Banker was short and very corpulent having to a pronounced extent the characteristic Dutch physique of this line of Bankers. She

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* One record gives the date 1778. It is said that she was born in Pittstown near Tomhannock, but it seems more probable that she was born in Dutchess county or possibly near Lansingburgh in Rensselaer county.

† Little is known concerning the ancestry of Peter Grant. The following tradition appears to be the most trustworthy of those I have been given and is in some points sustained by documentary evidence. Peter Grant's grandfather was Major James Grant, who was born in Scotland and held a commission as major in a regiment of Scottish Highlanders. He came to this country with his regiment in 1758 or 1759 and took part in the French and Indian War. After peace was declared he returned home to Scotland and gave such a glowing account of the country that his four sons, James, John, Peter and Matthew, enlisted at the beginning of the Revolution in the British Army and were transported to this country, landing at Quebec early in 1775. They soon after deserted and came to the States. On account of being deserters they found it prudent to separate and so lost all trace of each other. John became a captain of the Green Mountain boys, which position he held from July 27 to November, 1775. He was afterward regimental quartermaster of Jackson's additional Continental Regiment from June 1, 1777, to Apr. 23, 1779, and subsequently served as quartermaster of the New Hampshire State Militia. He married Susan Williams of Long Island and died in Granville, N. Y., Nov., 1825. His children besides Peter, mentioned above in the text, were James, who married Catharine Baneus and lived in Granville, N. Y., where he died leaving a family of two sons and four daughters; Elizabeth who married Michael Van der Bogart and also moved to Granville, where she died leaving a family; Susan, who married Isaac Travis and moved to Schaghticoke, N. Y., where she had at least one son and one daughter; Catharine, who married Nicholas E. Van Wagner and remained in Dutchess Co., (her genealogy will be found in the records of the Van Wagner family); William, who married and settled in Granville, N. Y., and had four sons and two daughters; Richard, who lived and died in Hastings, Oswego Co., N. Y.; and Daniel, the youngest, who lived and died on his father's farm in Pine Plains, Dutchess Co., N. Y. was married twice and had two sons and four daughters by his first wife and one son and four daughrers by his second wife.

died of typhoid fever Nov. 2, 1850. She had fourteen children as follows:

133. Ruth, bo. Feb. 14, 1800;
140. Mariah, bo. Aug. 1, 1801;
143. Sarah, bo. Feb 16, 1803;
145. James, bo. Aug. 9, 1804;
148. Adolph Banker, bo. Sept. 24, 1806;
150. Isaac Travis, bo. Mar. 13, 1808;
Harmon H., bo. Dec. 12, 1809; d. Sept. 7, 1829; unmarried;
Daniel, bo. Jan. 1, 1811; d. May 1, 1816;
153. Augustus R., bo. Sept. 12, 1812;
154. Alexander B., bo. Feb. 14, 1814;
155. John B., bo. Mar. 18, 1816;
157. George Washington, bo. Sept. 18, 1817;
158. Timothy B., bo. Aug 2, 1819;
159. Harriet, bo. Aug. 15, 1822.

133. Ruth Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Feb. 14, 1800. She married in 1819 Benjamin Congdon, a farmer, who was born June 9, 1795, a son of Stephen and Polly Congdon. After their marriage they removed to Scriba, Oswego Co., N. Y., where he died May 28, 1874. He is said to have been a soldier of the War of 1812. Ruth died Nov. 25, 1885. She had eight children as follows:

134. Stephen, bo. ——, 1820;
137. James, bo. Aug. 31, 1822;
Sarah Ann, bo. —— 1825;
Daniel, bo. ——, 1827;
Augustus, bo. ——, 1831;
Hannah Maria, bo. Apr. 4, 1835;
138. Mary Jane, bo. Aug. 16, 1839;
139. Sophia, bo. Oct. 10, 1841.

Sarah, now Mrs. James Gardinier, is living in Ames, Montgomery Co., N. Y.

Daniel died Oct. 12, 1883. His widow, Mrs. Mary Klock, was living in Lansing, N. Y., in 1903.

Augustus died Jan. 17, 1886. He left at least one son, Archie, who was living in Minetto, Oswego Co., N. Y., in 1903.

Hannah married a man by the name of Manwaring and was living on East Fourth St., Oswego, N. Y., in 1903.

Nothing further could be learned concerning the families of these.

134. Stephen Congdon (133) was born probably in Scriba, Oswego Co., N. Y., in 1820. He married in January, 1844, Mary L. Baker, a daughter of Joel and Esther Baker. He lived in Scriba all his life and died there in July, 1900. His wife died Sept. 13, 1901. He had at least nine children:

Hamilton A.;
135. Azealia C., bo. July 21 1849;
136. Augustus Daniel, bo. Dec. 11, 1850;
Hattie, probably died young;
Alice, probably died young;
Vesta, probably died young;
Joel, probably died young;
Esther, probably died young;
Vesta A.

Hamilton married Adeline Dubois, a daughter of Daniel and Susan Dubois. He was a farmer in Scriba, N. Y., and died there in April, 1889. His children were: Merton; Emma, who perhaps married a Southgate; Myra, who probably married an O'Hare; Hattie; and Frances. Nothing more could be learned of Hamilton's family.

The last six of Stephen's children are all dead except possibly Vesta A.

135. Azealia Congdon (134) was born in Scriba, Oswego Co., N. Y., July 21, 1849. She married, Dec. 19, 1866, William Anson LaFountain, a farmer of Minetto, afterwards living at Fulton, N. Y. William was born Apr. 9, 1846, a son of Christopher and Catharine LaFountain, and died June 12 1899. Azealia was living in 1903. She had the following children:

George, bo. June 24, 1868;
Lura, bo. June 15, 1870;
Altha M., bo. Apr. 12, 1881.

George married, in October, 1898, Ellen Shedd, who was born Nov. 5, 1864. He is a farmer and lives in Fulton, N. Y. He has no children.

Lura married, July 7, 1892, Austin Peck, a farmer of Oswego Center and a son of Samuel and Lois Peck. He died June 1, 1896, and Lura died May 1, 1897. She had two children: William A., born June 19, 1893; and Walter S., born Dec. 5, 1895.

Altha married, Jan. 25, 1893, Ezelle Gifford, who was born June 3, 1868, a son of Robert and Ruth Gifford. Mr. Gifford is a farmer and he and his wife live in Fulton, N. Y. Their children are: Robert, born Feb. 20, 1894; Ruth, born May 27, 1895; and Clayton, born June 5, 1896.

136. Augustus Daniel Congdon (134) was born in Scriba, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1850. He married, Dec. 31, ——, Estella M. Camp, who was born June 23, 1854, a daughter of Christian and Eunice Camp. He is a farmer and has always lived in the town of Scriba. He and his wife were both living in 1903. He has had nine children as follows:

Lillian A., bo. Sept. 10, 1872;
Grace A., bo., Apr. 30, 1877;
Benjamin Franklin, bo. Nov. 7, 1878;
Gertrude E., bo. Aug 23, 1883;
Clara Belle, bo. Sept. 4, 1885; d. Sept. 15, 1901;
Bessie E., bo. June 29, 1888;
Edith L., bo. July 31, 1890; d. Sept. 13, 1902;
Margie A., bo. Aug. 27, 1892;
Ruth E., bo. Aug. 21, 1895.

Lillian married, Feb. 3, 1893, Hugh Lilley, a laborer and a son of Patrick and Mary Lilley. She now lives in Oswego, N. Y. She has two children: Ellen A., born Feb. 17, 1894; and Beatrice G., born May 30, 1895.

Grace married, Feb. 17, 1897, Tilden Gifford, who was born Nov. 3, 1874. Her husband is a mechanic and they live in Fulton, N. Y. She has no children.

Benjamin married, Sept. 25, 1901, Murriel Dodge, who was born Aug. 30, 1876, a daughter of Edgar and Fannie Dodge. He is a mechanic and lives in Fulton, N. Y. He has no children.

Gertrude married, Aug. 8, 1901, Frank Pero, a laborer, and they live in Minetto, N. Y. She has at least one child, Emerson T., born May 16, 1902.

137. James Congdon (133) was born Aug. 31, 1822. He married, Jan. 1, 1849, Sarah Jane Wheeler, who was born May

23, 1831, a daughter of Luther and J—— Wheeler. He was a farmer and lived in Scriba, N. Y., where he died Sept. 10, 1897. His wife died March 28, 1898. He had two children as follows:

Lois Alma, bo. Nov. 1, 1849;
Edgar Llewellyn, bo. Dec. 2, 1855.

Lois married, Mar. 23, 1870, Edgar Van Buren, a son of David and Melissa Van Buren, born Dec. 3, 1845. Mr. Van Buren was a boatman on the Erie Canal and lived at Fulton, N. Y., and in New York City. He died Mar. 28, 1899. Lois was still living in 1902 in Fulton, N. Y. She has had two children as follows: Avery A., born June 29, 1873, and died Jan. 15, 1892; and David Edgar, born June 14, 1882.

Edgar was for many years a boatman but afterwards became a farmer and was living in Lansing, Oswego Co., N. Y., in 1902. He married his first wife, Lottie Crouch, Dec. 8, 1880. She was born Feb. 8, 1865, a daughter of William and Phenelia Crouch, and died Sept. 7, 1883. After her death Edgar married for his second wife, May 3, 1887, Lillie A. Rice, who was born Jan. 14, 1860, a daughter of George I. and Salina Rice. He had by his first wife one child, J. Fred, born Nov. 1, 1881; and by his second wife he had three children: Claude E., born Feb. 12, 1888; Ethel R., born Aug. 4, 1893; and Mildred R., born May 4, 1896.

138. Mary Jane Congdon (133) was born in Scriba, N. Y., Aug. 16, 1839. She married, Jan. 1, 1862, Isaac Rice, who was born Apr. 16, 1839, a son of George I. and Salina Rice and a brother of Lillie Rice. Mr. Rice is a fruit and produce commission merchant, and he and his wife were living at 128 East 3d St., Oswego, N. Y., in 1903. Mary has had three children:

Katharine Belle, bo. May 8, 1864;
Florence Etta, bo. Dec. 8, 1866;
Clarence Bertrand, bo. Feb. 9, 1872.

Katharine married, July 25, 1893, S. J. F. Stranack, a son of Richard and Amelia Stranack. He is connected with the *San Francisco Examiner*, and they live at 1106 East Republican St., Seattle, Wash. Her children are: Richard J. F., born Aug. 10, 1894; Raymond B., born Mar. 22, 1896; Stewart J. F., born Mar. 5, 1898; Janet Katharine, born Aug. 24, 1899; and Dorothy Belle, born Jan. 17, 1902.

Florence married, June 15, 1893, John C. Currie, a son of John C. and Amelia Currie. Florence and her husband were living in 1902 at 1120 East 3d St., Duluth, Minn., where Mr. Currie was connected with a wholesale dry-goods house. Their children are: Margaret Virginia, born Apr. 10, 1894; Eleanor Elizabeth, born Jan. 20, 1899; and Robert Congdon, born Dec. 25, 1900.

Clarence married, May 27, 1896, Winifred Goettel, who was born Jan. 15, 1874, a daughter of Peter and Henrietta Goettel. He is secretary of the Oswego Stamp and Publishing Co., and lived in 1902 at 74 East Oneida St., Oswego, N. Y. He has two children: Donald Bertrand, born June 29, 1897; and Doris Carolyn, born Jan. 29, 1901.

139. Sophia Congdon (133) was born Oct. 10, 1841. She married, Oct. 9, 1862, Ezra P. Hubbard, who was born June 2, 1841, a son of the Rev. Thomas M. Hubbard. Mrs. Hubbard is in the dry-goods business in Corbin, Ky., the business being conducted under the firm name of B. C. Hubbard & Co. Her children are:

Fred H., bo. Apr. 30, 1864;
Harley Grant, bo. July 19, 1870; d. Jan. 14, 1874;
Ezra Glen, bo. June 7, 1875; d. Feb. 14, 1880;
Benjamin Congdon, bo. Sept. 11, 1876.

Fred married, Dec. 31, 1891, Rose M. McLean. He is an inspector of lumber and resides at 824 Thorn Ave., Chicago, Ill. His children are: Frederica E., born Oct. 2, 1892; and Ruth R., born Jan. 5, 1900.

Benjamin married, Nov. 14, 1900, Mary Garrett. He is a railroad clerk and has no children.

140. Mariah Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Aug. 1, 1801. She married Capt. David Viele, a veteran of the War of 1812. He was born about 1792, probably a son of Tunis and Cornelia Velie, and died Apr. 25, 1868. He was a farmer and lived in Easton and Schaghticoke, N. Y. Mariah died June 9, 1894, and at the time of her death was said to be one of six pensioners of the War of 1812. She had eight children as follows:

141. Lewis Grant, bo. Dec. 27, 1825;
142. Hannah Mariah;

Archibald;
Harmon K., bo. 1831;
James, d. Apr. 30, ——, aged 23 years; no issue;
Timothy H., bo. about 1842;
Harriet, d. aged 12 years;
George, d. aged 8 years.

Archibald married, Feb. 22, ——, Helen A Clausson. Both are dead leaving no issue.

Harmon married Laura Ingraham. He died Feb. 28, 1867, leaving no children.

Timothy H., married, Dec. 14, 1871, Henrietta Ketchum, a daughter of Francis F. Ketchum and Elizabeth Lane. She was born Aug. 18, 1848. Mr. Viele was a farmer and lived in Schaghticoke and Pittstown, N. Y. He died Apr. 10, 1877. His wife was living in 1902. He had one child, Francis Ketchum, who was born Dec. 11, 1874. Frank married, Oct. 17, 1900, Henrietta Mielenz, who was born Sept. 20, 1874, a daughter of William J. Mielenz and Sarah Bloomingdale. He is a farmer and lives in Pittstown, N. Y. He has no children.

141. Lewis Grant Viele (140) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1825. He married, May 3, 1853, Jane F. Wilcox, who was born in August, 1827, a daughter of Clark Wilcox. After his marriage Mr. Viele lived in Hoosick, N. Y., but in 1865 moved to Cortland, N. Y., and in 1899 he went to Warren, Pa., where he has since lived. He is a contractor and builder. He has had six children as follows:

James A., bo. Feb. 24, 1854;
Cora Ellen, bo. Mar 10, 1856;
John Jay, bo. Jan. 15, 1858;
Archibald, bo. Feb. 14, 1861;
Charles L., bo. Dec. 1, 1864;
Minnie E., bo. Oct. 7, 1867; d. Feb. 9, 1899.

James married, Apr. 9, 1879, Ella C. Bennett, who was born Oct. 19, 1859, a daughter of Alford T. and Elsie Bennett. He is a manager of the Wilburine Pipe Lines and resides in Warren, Pa. He has no children.

Cora married, May 5, 1886, Dr. Miles Goodyear, a son of Dr. John Goodyear and Elizabeth Goodyear. She lives in Groton, Tompkins Co., N. Y., and has no children.

John and Charles are employed in the Custom House in New York. The former lives in Bronxville, Westchester Co., N. Y., and the latter at 647 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. No information could be obtained of their families.

Nothing is known of Archibald.

142. Hannah Maria Viele (140) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y. She married, Nov. 23, 1848, Daniel Herrick, a son of Samuel Herrick and Alida Swiney. He was a farmer and lived in Schaghticoke, where he died in 1900. After the death of Hannah he married second Amanda S. Van Antwerp, Apr. 22, 1869, by whom he had one son, Edward L., born Apr. 30, 1880. Hannah died Jan. 12, 1862. She had two children as follows:

Emma V., bo. July 28, 1854;
Clausson, bo. May 16, 1860.

Emma married John E. Ralston, a farmer of Schaghticoke, and died July 3, 1885. She had one child, Carrie May, who died Dec. 25, 1881, at the age of 7 mos. and 20 days. Her husband has married again and is living in Schaghticoke.

Clausson is a farmer in Schaghticoke. He married, Oct. 21, 1903, Anna Brewster, who was born Aug. 27, 1881, a daughter of John H. Brewster and Elizabeth Cruickshank. He has no children.

143. Sarah Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Feb. 16, 1803. She married, Dec. 28, 1824, Henry Thompson, who was born June 23, 1798. He was a carpenter and they lived at Schaghticoke Hill, where Mr. Thompson died Nov. 8, 1845. He was buried in the Millertown grave-yard. Sarah died Dec. 30, 1883. She had seven children as follows:

Alexander, bo. Nov. 12, 1825;
John Wesley, bo. Dec. 2, 1827;
144. Peter Grant, bo. Nov. 27, 1829;
James Henry, bo. Mar. 5, 1832; d. May 18, 1834;
Edwin, bo. Oct. 29, 1833; d. Feb. 23, 1842;
Isaac Grant, bo. Jan. 14, 1840; d. Aug. 30, 1879;
Byron S., bo. Jan. 26, 1844.

Alexander was a physician and died June 18, 1892. He married, but I could learn no particulars of his family.

John was in the navy and Isaac was a lawyer. Nothing more was learned of these.

Byron married, Dec. 21, 1870, Henrietta Mielenz, who was born in Prussia, Sept. 25, 1843, a daughter of Frederick Martin Mielenz and Dorothy Shaver. Henrietta came to this country with her parents when she was a very little girl. Mr. Thompson was employed for many years by the Schaghticoke Powder Co. and lived at Valley Falls. He had in his possession the oldest family record of this branch of the Banker family, reaching back to Nathaniel.* He and his wife were both living in 1901, but he has since died. He had two children: Grant W., born Nov. 26, 1871, and died Jan. 14, 1892; and Sarah L., born June 2, 1874.

144. Peter Grant Thompson (143) was born in Valley Falls, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1829. He married, Dec. 2, 1855, Margaret A. Kewley, who was born May 29, 1836, a daughter of John Kewley and Jane Kane. Mr. Thompson was a carpenter and for many years was employed in the works of the Schaghticoke Powder Co. He died Oct. 12, 1897. His widow was still living in 1908. He had three children:

Lottie Madeline, bo. Nov. 26, 1857;
Fred Grant, bo. Feb 27, 1869;
Sarah Gertrude, bo. Jan. 12, 1874; d. July 29, 1874.

Lottie married, Oct. 27, 1881, Franklin Sproat of Valley Falls, N. Y. She died Aug. 13, 1887. She had two children: Fred Franklin, born Aug. 4, 1883; and Beula Anna, born Oct. 9, 1884, and died May 30, 1888.

Fred did not marry. He became a dentist in the firm of Lynam and Thompson in Troy, N. Y., and built up a splendid practice. He died Sept. 5, 1908.

145. James Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1804. He married, Sept. 1, 1828, Nancy Miller, who was born Apr. 14, 1806, a daughter of Moses and Lois Miller. He was a farmer and mill owner and lived at Johnsonville, N. Y., where he died Oct. 26, 1850. He was found in his mill with his head thrust into a barrel of meal and was thought to have been killed by one of his employees whom he had offended. He is buried in the Millertown grave-yard. His wife was living with her daughter, Mrs. Bouton, in Ithaca, N. Y., in 1901, with mind

* It was from seeing this record when a boy that the writer received his first incentive to collect the family records.

and memory clear although ninety-five years old. James had three children as follows:

146. Ann Eliza, bo. May 24, 1829;
147. Emma, bo. Apr. 23, 1833;
Mary Alice, bo. June 16, 1844.

Mary A. was born in Johnsonville, N. Y., and moved to Dryden with her mother in 1852. She married, Feb. 14, 1866, Clinton D. Bouton, who was born Nov. 12, 1842, a son of George and Charlotte Bouton. Mr. Bouton was a soldier of the Civil War, serving three years. He enlisted in September, 1861, in the 76th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf., Co. F, as a corporal, was in several engagements, and was severely wounded in the battle of Gainesville in August, 1862. After his recovery he was detailed as clerk in the War Department, where he remained until his term of service expired. After his marriage he was a merchant in Dryden, N. Y. In 1880, he and his wife moved to North Dakota, but returned in 1885 to Ithaca, N. Y. In 1893, Mr. Bouton was elected mayor of the city of Ithaca and served two years. He is now engaged in mining, oil, gas, and real estate business. They have no children.

146. Ann Eliza Grant (145) was born in Johnsonville, N. Y., May 24, 1829. She married, Jan.* 21, 1850, Merritt B. Baucus, a merchant of Pittstown, N. Y. He was born May 27, 1829,† a son of William I. Baucus and Phoebe Stover.‡ In 1852 they removed to Dryden, N. Y., where Mr. Baucus continued in business until his death, March 3, 1873. Eliza died Aug. 13, 1879. She had five children as follows:

William I. bo. Feb. 29, 1852;
Nettie, bo. July 10, 1860;
Georgiana, bo. Nov. 12, 1862;
Cora M., bo. June 18, 1865;
James G., bo. Apr. 21, 1868; d. Sept. 1, 1884.

William was born in Pittstown, N. Y., but when less than three months old he was taken by his parents to Dryden, N. Y.,

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* Also given as November.
† Also given as May 7, 1827.
‡ William I. Baucus was a brother of John A. Baucus. See page 205. Phoebe Stover was a sister of Jacob Stover, the grandfather of Etta Stover. See page 205.

where he lived until August, 1887. He married, Sept. 10, 1874, Kate S. Baker, who was born Jan. 27, 1852, a daughter of Albert J. Baker and Helen Murdock. He was a merchant and in 1887 moved to Utica, N. Y. In February, 1899, he went to Auburn, where he was still residing in 1902. He had two children: Jessie M., born Dec. 21, 1878; and Mabel, born Mar. 27, 1885.

Nettie was born in Dryden, N. Y. She attended the Cortland Normal School and was a teacher in the Ithaca High School, from September, 1881, until July, 1896. She traveled for a year and then married, Aug. 5, 1897, David H. Fox, who was born July 3, 1862, a son of David Fox and Eliza Ann Hill. Mr. Fox is an art dealer, and after their marriage he and his wife lived for a year in Hartford, Conn., and since that in Harrisburg, Pa. Nettie has no children.

Georgiana is unmarried and is a Methodist missionary in Yokohama, Japan. Articles from her pen are often seen in the religious and missionary publications of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1894 she accompanied Mrs. Mary C. Ninde as a traveling companion in her tour with Bishop Ninde through the East. Miss Baucus wrote the record of this journey in a very entertaining volume entitled "In Journeyings Oft," which has been published by Curts and Jennings, Cincinnati.

Cora is a teacher and was living unmarried in East Orange, N. J., in 1900.

147. Emma Grant (145) was born in Johnsonville, N. Y., Apr. 23, 1833. She moved with her mother and sisters to Dryden, N. Y., in 1852, and married, Feb. 16, 1859, William Rochester Marsh, who was born Mar. 27, 1824, a son of Marorah* Marsh and Hannah Barnes. He was engaged in the lumber business and died Feb. 8, 1891. Emma died Oct. 17, 1867. She had four children as follows:

Mary, bo. Nov. 19, 1859; d. Apr. 27, 1862;
Nellie, bo. Mar. 9, 1861; d. Apr. 29, 1862;
Alice Grant, bo. Dec. 12, 1862;
Emma Grant, bo. Oct. 15, 1867.

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* This name seems peculiar, but is all I have been able to make out of the writing.

Alice married, July 3, 1888, David N. Van Hoesen, who was born June 10, 1863, a son of Joseph Van Hoesen and Marian Geddes. Mr. Van Hoesen is a bookkeeper in a bank in Ithaca and resides at 402 Cayuga St. Alice has had three children: Grant Clinton, born Mar. 25, 1892; Lucy Marion, born Sept. 3, 1896, and died Mar. 26, 1897; and Karl Duane, born Mar. 5, 1900.

Emma is unmarried and is a teacher.

148. Adolph Banker Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1806. He married Rhoda Silliman, who was born Nov. 24, 1807. The date of their marriage is not known. He was a farmer and settled in Lyons, Wayne Co., N. Y. He later became a contractor on public works and lived in Newark, N. Y., where his wife died in 1875. He then went to live with his eldest daughter in Traverse City, Mich., and died there in 1887. He had nine children as follows:

Robert Silliman, bo. June 11, 1834;
149. Eunisa Varitee, bo. Mar. 27, 1836;
Anna Augusta, bo. July 4, 1838;
Sarah Elizabeth, bo. July 1, 1840;
William Henry, bo. Aug. 27, 1841; d. in 1842;
Hannah Maria, bo. May 7, 1843;
Charles Easton, bo. Sept. 22, 1845;
Ella Louisa, bo. Jan. 14, 1848; d. Aug. 27, 1848;
James Augustus, bo. Jan. 14, 1853.

Robert became a veterinary surgeon and moved to Austin, Texas, where he married, Dec. 28, 1882, Mary Lucas Taylor, who was born Oct. 7, 1858, in Pittsboro, North Carolina. She was a daughter of Col. William Peter Taylor* and Ann Eliza Ramsey. Robert died in Austin May 20, 1897. His widow moved to Denver, Colorado, and finally to Brooklyn, N. Y., and is living at 100 Quincy St. They had one child, Taylor Banker, born Aug. 26, 1889.

Anna is living unmarried in Bradford, Pa.

Sarah married Jerome B. Blanchard, who was born in 1833. He is engaged in mining and they live in Denver, Colo. Sarah has had three children, but they all died young.

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* Col. Taylor was a lawyer and a Methodist minister and after the war settled in Texas.

Hannah married, Dec. 13, 1865, Emory Bangs Clark, who was born in Amsterdam, N. Y., Sept. 8, 1831, a son of Gardner and Chailie P. Clark. He was a lawyer and they lived in Appleton, Wisconsin, until 1876, then in Worthington, Minnesota, until Mr. Clark's death, Apr. 2, 1885. Since then Hannah has been living in Windom, Minn. She has had one daughter, Luetta May, born May 4, 1867, died Oct. 27, 1867.

Charles is believed to be unmarried and living somewhere in Wyoming. A letter addressed to Laramie where he was supposed to be was returned.

Augustus James, as he writes his name, married first, Nov. 7, 1885, Jennie B. Hillman, who was born Oct. 14, 1862, and died Oct. 17, 1894. She was a daughter of George and Sarah Hillman. After her death Augustus married second, June 1, 1896, Alice Bridger, who was born Aug. 29, 1853, a daughter of James Bridger and Harriet Bishop. Mr. Grant is a locomotive engineer of the Lehigh Valley Railroad and was living in Sayre, Pa., in 1908. He has one daughter by his first wife, Lena E., born Aug. 13, 1887.

149. Eunisa Varitee Grant* (148) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1836. She married, Apr. 22, 1862, Zelotes C. Fairbanks, who was born in Rose, Wayne Co., N. Y., Aug. 21, 1833. He was a son of Cornelius W. Fairbanks and Jane McWharf. He enlisted in the Civil War in the 6th Wisconsin Vol. Inf., and served under Grant in the Army of the Potomac. He was engaged in the battle of Taylor Creek and was at the storming of Petersburg. He marched through Richmond and followed Lee to Appomattox. He is now a nurseryman and he and his wife live in Traverse City, Mich. They have had four children:

Hettie M., bo. Jan. 19, 1864;
Mamie E., bo. June 7, 1866;
John Seth, bo. May 8, 1869;
George Banker, bo. Oct. 8, 1872.

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* She was probably named for her father's aunt, Eunice Verity. (See page 185.) The first name has always been pronounced in the family with the accent on the second syllable, which doubtless accounts for the spelling above. What the original spelling of the second name was I do not know, but the living members of that family spell it uniformly Verity.

Hettie married, Nov. 5, 1884, S. A. Timblin, who was born Feb. 18, 1853. He was a harness-maker and lived in Traverse City, Mich., where he died July 21, 1895. Hettie is living with her parents. She has had two children: Clifford A., born Mar. 18, 1887; and Edith M., born Sept. 14, 1888.

Mamie married, Aug. 19, 1896, George G. Bates, who was born July 23, 1861, a son of Thomas T. and Martha E. C. Bates. Mr. Bates is a publisher in Chicago, Ill. They have no children.

John and George were unmarried in 1901. The former was then a bookkeeper in Chicago and the latter was an electrical engineer with the General Electric Co. of 44 Broad St., New York City.

150. Isaac Travis Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 13, 1808. As a young man he learned fanning-mill and cradle making of David Bryan,* who had a shop on Schaghticoke Hill run by horse power. Later Grant established the business on a larger scale about four miles farther south, where the main Troy road crosses the Deep Kill. About the shops a hamlet grew up which became known as Grant's Hollow. After Grant's death the business was conducted for many years by Daniel Viall associated with various other parties.† In the writer's boyhood the place was a busy, prosperous little community. Afterwards reverses came, the business passed into other hands, finally the main shop burned, the works were abandoned, and Grant's Hollow to-day presents the mournful picture of a nearly deserted village.

Mr. Grant married first, Oct. 19, 1831, Maria Alexander, who was born Dec. 19, 1831, a daughter of Gilbert Alexander and Hannah Avery. She died Aug. 5, 1849, and he married second, Oct. 4, 1853, Elizabeth Stanton of Raymertown, N. Y. She was born July 23, 1823, a daughter of Lodowick and Catherine Stanton, and died Feb. 21, 1875. Isaac died in Troy, N. Y., and is buried in the graveyard at Raymertown, N. Y., where there are two separate monuments to his memory, on one of which the date of his death is given as Oct. 17, 1868, on the other it is given as Oct. 18, 1868, and some of my correspondents give his death as Oct. 15, 1868, while the old Peter Grant family

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* See page 203.
† See page 206.

record gives the date Oct. 25, 1867. He had children by his first wife as follows:

151. Hannah Melissa, bo. Sept. 20, 1832;
152. Bryan, bo. Mar. 8, 1833;
Job Pierson, bo. Sept. 22, 1834.

By his second wife he had:
Ernest Carlton, bo. July 23, 1854; d. Sept. 26, 1875;
Camille, bo. Nov. 17, 1855.

Job married, Sept. 30, 1858, Henrietta Brooks. He and his wife were both living in 1900 in New York City. His office was at 52 Broadway, Room 1022. He has one child, Virginia Pierson, born Jan. 30, 1862.

Camille married, June 15, 1881, John E. Mooney, who was born Mar. 27, 1850, a son of John E. and Elizabeth Mooney of Buffalo, N. Y. He is a locomotive engineer and they were living at 1004, 15th Ave., S. E., Minneapolis, Minn., in 1909. Camille has had five children: Stanton Grant, born July 5, 1883; Edith Elizabeth, born Jan. 22, 1886; Leonie Camille, born Jan. 18, 1888, died May 7, 1888; Edward Louis, born Aug. 18, 1889; and Mary Catherine, born Dec. 16, 1891.

151. Hannah Melissa Grant (150) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 20, 1832. She married, Jan. 11, 1855, Dr. Henry B. Whiton, a physician of Troy, N. Y., who was born Sept. 24, 1827, a son of Milo J. Whiton and Sophia Tuttle. Dr. Whiton died May 2, 1881. Mrs. Whiton was living at Adams, N. Y., in 1902, but has since died. She had five children as follows:

James, bo. Feb. 7, 1856; d. Jan. 11, 1876;
Alice, bo. July 23, 1858;
Walter Leslie, bo. May 13, 1860;
Henry Grant, bo. Dec. 21, 1868;
Sophia Tuttle, bo. Dec. 18, 1872; d. Dec. 16, 1875.

Alice was living unmarried in 1902.

Walter married, Nov. 4, 1890, Anna Hunt Blake, who was born at Harvard, Mass., Nov. 8, 1868. He is connected with the iron works at Baltimore, Md., and they live in that city. He has had five children: Leslie Blake, born Sept. 30, 1892; Alice Mildred, born Dec. 31, 1893; Walter Grant, born July 7,

1896, died July 9, 1897; Edith Scott, born May 26, 1897, died July 26, 1897; and Thelma Tuttle, born Dec. 12, 1898.

Henry married, Oct. 27, 1887, Julia Radigan, who was born Oct. 10, 1867. They live at 2427 Fifth Ave., Troy, N. Y. His children are: Sophia, born Dec. 13, 1888, died Oct. 18, 1890; Henry Finlay, born May 21, 1892; Arnold Grant, born, Apr. 13, 1895; and Edna Grant, born Dec. 21, 1901.

152. Bryan Grant (150) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 8, 1833. In 1852 he entered the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, N. Y., where he remained two years. He then entered the law office of Pierson, Beech, & Smith as a law student and two years later was admitted to the bar of New York State. He took up the practice of law in his old home town of Schaghticoke. In September, 1856, he married for his first wife Edith Mary Naylor of Greenwich, N. Y., a daughter of Joseph P. and Adeline Naylor. She was born about 1835 and died Sept. 22, 1878. Four years after this marriage Mr. Grant removed to Ohio and was admitted to the bar of that state. On the laying of the Atlantic Cable he entered the employ of the Gold and Stock Telegraph Co., taking charge of the censorship and distribution of European commercial and financial news to the business world, in which capacity he is still serving. He married his second wife, Mary Anna Gillespie, Dec. 8, 1880. She was a daughter of David and Anna Gillespie and was born Aug. 20, 1856. Bryan is now living at 169 Harrison St., Bloomfield, N. J. His children by his first wife were:

Cora, bo. in 1858; d. in 1860;
Wallace, bo. Aug. 11, 1861; d. June 27, 1900; without issue;
Cora Lena, bo. Mar. 4, 1864;
Bertha Adeline, bo. Jan. 21, 1868.

By his second wife he had:

Herbert Alexander, bo. Feb. 25, 1884.

Cora L. married, Nov. 15, 1884, George R. Steinert, who was born Mar. 2, 1864, a son of Ruth R. and Dr. George Steinert. Mr. Steinert is engaged in the Marine Insurance business and they live at 14 Washington Place, Hasbrouck Heights, N. J. Cora has four children: George R., born Aug. 12, 1885; Charles C., born Feb. 18, 1888; Bryan G., born Feb. 5, 1892; and Clarence, born Aug. 16, 1895.

Bertha married, June 20, 1888, Theodore W. Starbuck, who was born Oct. 8, 1859, a son of William H. Starbuck and Emma Linda Grant. He was a traveling salesman and they lived at Brooklyn, N. Y., until his death. Bertha has since married Russel C. Smoot and is now (1909) living in San Mateo, Cal. She had four children by her first husband: Theodore Wilbur, born Apr. 1, 1889; William Henry, born Feb. 10, 1891; Grant Naylor, born Oct. 18, 1892; and Dorothy Edythe, born May 17, 1900.

Herbert is at home with his parents.

153. Augustus R. Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1812. He married Phoebe M. Germon of Spigletown, N. Y. He was a merchant and lived in Troy, N. Y. He died of small-pox Dec. 1, 1871, and his wife died Mar. 28, 1890. He had four children as follows:

Germon H., bo. Oct. 24, 1840;
Frances D., bo. Sept. 16, 1842;
Byron S., died young;
L. Adelaid, bo. Oct. 6, 1844.

Germon married Catharine Beckwith. He is a farmer and is in the real estate business and lives at 10 Pine St., Glens Falls, N. Y. He has no children.

Frances married, Sept. 12, 1894, Albert Wilson, who was born Sept. 28, 1843. He is a grist-miller and they live in Sandy Hill, N. Y. They have no children.

Adelaid is an invalid and unmarried.

154. Alexander B. Grant (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Feb. 14,* 1814. He married, Oct. 14, 1841, at Buttermilk Falls,† N. Y., Rebecca Avery, who was born at West Point, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1821. She was a daughter of Letitia and Thomas Critchett Avery, who were originally from Vermont. Mrs. Grant was for many years a member of the North Baptist Church in New York City and was greatly interested in mission work. This interest was practical as she largely brought up eight waifs, besides caring for her own family of seven. She also cared for two colored children taken at the beginning of the war; one of these, the boy, is known to be doing well in California. Mr.

* Also given as Feb. 17.
† Near West Point.

Grant was for thirty-six years a stage carpenter in New York City. He put in the first stage scenery in the Grand Opera House of which Fiske was manager. For fifteen years he was stage-carpenter in the Academy of Music and was the last man out of the building when it burned. He fell a distance of fifteen feet in the Union Square Theater and was brought home as dead. He recovered, but was never able to work afterward. He and his wife were living in Rockville Center, L. I., in 1900. Both were quite vigorous and, though Mr. Grant was exceedingly deaf, his mind was clear and his memory excellent. He has since died. He had seven children:

Floyd, bo. Aug. 29, 1843;
Mary Malissa, bo. Jan. 4, 1845;
Augustus Rensselaer, bo. Feb. 16, 1847;
Emmaguen, bo. June 29, 1850; d. Feb. 16, 1857;
Isabella, bo. July 17, 1853; d. Jan. 11, 1857;
Ida Letitia, bo. Aug. 2, 1856;
Avery Critchett, bo. Apr. 25, 1860.

Floyd married, Feb. 28, 1866, in Brooklyn, N. Y., Lottie Adams, who was born Mar. 6, 1849, a daughter of Edwin Adams and Susan Emma Pike. Her mother was a daughter of General Pike, of Maine. Mr. Grant is an auctioneer and the senior member of the firm of Floyd Grant & Co., located at Broadway, 47th Street, and Seventh Ave., New York City. He has one daughter, May Rankin, born Nov. 17, 1875. She married, Nov. 5, 1895, Charles R. Davis, who was born in 1867, a son of Reginald and Sarah F. Davis. She has no children.

Mary married, Apr. 7, 1866, William E. Rankin, who was born July 3, 1849, a son of Hugh Rankin and Bessie Courtney, his parents being from the north of Ireland. His business is that of a dry goods commission merchant. They have no children but adopted Marion Williams, a cousin.*

Augustus married Edwina Barlo, a daughter of Dr. Barlo. He has four children: Harry; Marvin; Delia, who married Dr. Robert Hutchinson and lives at Cedarhurst, L. I.; and Hattie. No further information could be obtained of this family.

Ida married George Waterman and is believed to be living somewhere in Colorado. She is supposed to have no children.

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* See page 170.

Avery is married and is in a Western Union Telegraph office in New York City. He has children, at least; Edward, Malissa, and Newton.

155. JOHN BANKER GRANT (132) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 18, 1816. He married Catharine Ann Hauver. He was foreman in his brother's Fanning Mill and Cradle Factory at Grant's Hollow. He and his wife were both killed Jan. 14, 1862, on a grade crossing of the Troy and Boston Railroad, now a branch of the Boston and Maine system. They were on their way to attend the funeral of his niece, Hannah (Viele) Herrick.* John had six children as follows:

Job Alonzo, bo. May 20, 1842;†
156. Marion Augusta, bo. Aug. 6, 1844;
Warren, bo. May 22, 1848;
Nora, bo. July 20, 1851;†
Inez Velesque, bo. July 20, 1853;†
Stella Madeline, bo. July 12, 1855.†

Job enlisted, Aug. 14, 1863, in Co. K, 125th Reg't N. Y. Vol. Inf., in the Civil War. He was taken prisoner at Mine Run and died at Libby Prison July 23, 1864.

Warren married, Nov. 15, 1879, Mary Helen Ostrander, who was born Oct. 15, 1850, a daughter of Cornelius and Catharine Ostrander. He is a laborer and lives in East Chatham, N. Y. He has two children: Inez Clara, born Oct. 11, 1883; and married, Nov. 27, 1901, Edgar Sanford Miller; and Marion Augusta, born Aug. 6, 1886.

Nora married, Feb. 27, 1868, William H. Connell, who was born Aug. 12, 1845, a son of John and Nora Connell. Mr. Connell is a merchant of New York. Nora died Apr. 29, 1892. She had one child, William, born Apr. 18, 1870, died June 12, 1872.

Inez married, Apr. 26, 1882, Charles H. Jackson, who was born May 16, 1851, a son of William H. and Phoebe A. Jackson. He is with the Singer Sewing Machine Co. Inez died Apr. 1, 1883. She left no children.

Stella married, Apr. 8, 1879, Charles W. Williams, who was born Jan. 9, 1854, a son of John Williams and Mary Ann Avery. His mother was a sister of Rebecca Avery, who married

* See page 158.

† These dates were given from memory by Mrs. Vincent and may not be exactly correct. The family record is lost.

Alexander Grant. He was a dry goods merchant in New York City, and died Sept. 16, 1893. Stella died Sept. 18, 1898. She had four children: Inez Velesque, born Nov. 10, 1881; Charles Wheeler, born Oct. 6, 1883; Marion Augusta, born Sept. 17, 1888, and adopted by her father's cousin, Mrs. Rankin;* and James, born Aug. 23, 1892.

156. Marion Augusta Grant (155) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Aug. 6, 1844. She married, Dec. 6, 1866, John Vincent, who was born Oct. 8, 1844, a son of Patrick Vincent and Catharine O'Rourke. Mr. Vincent is a lawyer in New York City. He was Assistant District Attorney from 1881 to 1883 and District Attorney in 1883. He and his wife live in Rockville Center, L. I. Marion has had nine children as follows:

Katie Augusta, bo. Oct. 22, 1867; d. in April, 1870;
John, bo. Jan. 4, 1869; d. Apr. 14, 1883;
James Albert, bo. Jan. 31, 1871;
William, bo. Nov. 9, 1872; d. in July, 1874;
Robert Warren, bo. June 20, 1875;
Augustus, bo. Nov. 20, 1876; d. Sept. 13, 1877;
Stella Madeline, bo. Apr. 9, 1879;
Charles Alonzo, bo. Aug 31, 1881;
Grant, bo. Oct. 22, 1884; d. Oct. 22, 1884.

James married, Mar. 10, 1894, Meda Seaman, who was born Sept. 21, 1871, a daughter of Conklin P. Seaman and Catharine A. Miller. He is a lawyer and is with his father. He lived at Springfield, L. I., in 1902. He has no children.

Robert married Marion Larette, a daughter of Peter Larette. He is an insurance agent in New York and lives in Brooklyn. He has one child, Warren C., born Aug. 21, 1899.

Stella married, Jan. 29, 1902, Edward F. Lindon, who was born May 29, 1879, a son of Francis V. Lindon and Grace A. Ward. He is a jeweler in New York and they lived in Rockville Center, L. I., in 1902.

Charles was at home unmarried in 1902.

157. George Washington Grant (132) was born in Easton, Washington Co., N. Y., Sept. 18, 1817. He married, Jan. 26, 1842, Clarrissa Baucus, who was born Apr. 29, 1816, a

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* See page 168.

daughter of William Baucus* and Elizabeth Sipperly. Mr. Grant was a mechanic and lived in Easton and Schaghticoke until he was forty-two years old, when he moved to Adams, Jefferson Co., N. Y., where he died Jan. 24, 1905. Letters received from him shortly before his death were clearly written and filled with entertaining reminiscences. He received a commission as captain of militia from Gov. Marcy and was elected colonel, but never received his commission as the militia law was changed. He was a deputy U. S. marshal in the fifties, was deputy sheriff and constable, and has held a number of other town offices. His wife died Aug 5, 1889. He had two children:

George Washington, bo. Jan. 9, 1844;
William B., bo. Oct. 3, 1849.

George married, Dec. 14, 1875, Emma C. Bailey, who was born July 7, 1856, a daughter of Henry Bailey, Jr. and Harriet Smith. He was a locomotive engineer and lived in Watertown, Jefferson Co., N. Y. While on a pleasure trip he died, at Dayton, Ohio, of acute Bright's Disease, Sept. 16, 1900. He had two children, twins, Maude Clarissa and Milla Harriet, born Jan. 2, 1880.

William married, but died without issue Sept. 13, 1891.

158. Timothy Banker Grant (132) was born in Easton, Washington Co., N. Y., Aug 2, 1819. When he was thirteen years old he left home and entered a store in Schaghticoke. Three years later, desiring larger opportunity, he went to Rochester, N. Y., and entered a hardware store. He continued in the hardware business chiefly the rest of his life. About 1845 he married as his first wife Delia A. Smith, of Rochester. Soon after his marriage he moved to Dansville, Livingston Co., N. Y., where he formed a partnership with Merrit H. Brown in the hardware business, which continued under the firm name of Brown & Grant until 1870. Mr. Grant then continued the business alone until 1887, when he retired to private life. His first wife died in 1848 and he married second, Oct. 15, 1851.

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* William Baucus was a brother of John Baucus. (See page 205.) He was a farmer of Schaghticoke and at his death was very wealthy, estimated to be worth about $100,000. He left the bulk of his property to his only son, William, who eventually lost it all in sharp dealing and finally died in poverty.

Caroline A. Smith, who was born in Dansville, N. Y., May 20, 1832. She was a daughter of Col. Samuel Wells Smith and Mary McColluck. She was no relation to the first wife. Colonel Grant received his title during the Civil War when he assisted in organizing the examining board which met at Elmira, N. Y., and of which he was a member until the board ceased its existence. He was a member of the Union Grays, a famous military company of Rochester. He also organized and for twelve years was captain of a company in Dansville known as the Canaseraga Light Infantry, which acquired a wide spread reputation for efficiency. They disbanded at the beginning of the war and many of the members enlisted, every one of whom rose to a command, from that of captain to colonel. Col. Grant was a superior drill-master and in the summer of 1862 he instructed and drilled the officers and men of the 130th and 136th Regiments of N. Y. Vol. at Portage, N. Y. He died very suddenly of heart-failure induced by acute indigestion Oct. 15, 1899. His wife was yet living in 1900. He had no children by his first wife. By his second wife he had:

Lansing Banker, bo. Aug. 3, 1853;
Helen Gansvoort, bo. Aug. 24, 1857.

Lansing married, Apr. 30, 1879, Ida Hartman, who was born Nov. 11, 1854, a daughter of Henry Hartman and Eliza House. He lived in Dansville, where he died Aug. 9, 1888. His wife died Nov. 26, 1894. He left one son, Lansing Fred, born Sept. 12, 1880.

Helen married, Jan. 20, 1886, Bernard H. Oberdorf, who was born Feb. 3, 1855, a son of Peter John Oberdorf and Susana Barbara Hanshee. Mr. Oberdorf is an insurance agent and manager of the Granula and Iomo Manufacturing Co. They live in Dansville, N. Y., and have no children.

159. Harriet Grant (132) was born in Easton, Washington Co., N. Y., Aug. 15, 1822. She married, Jan. 15, 1845, John E. Burch, who was born June 24, 1818, a son of Daniel B. and Martha Burch. Mr. Burch was a boiler maker and machinist by trade and lived in Dansville, N. Y., for a time. In 1853, he moved to Allegany Co., N. Y., where he bought a farm and ran a saw mill. He finally settled on a farm in Andover, where he

lived until his death, Jan. 10, 1896. Mrs. Burch was still living in Andover in 1900. She has had three children, as follows:

160. Clarence Bryan, bo. July 21, 1846;
William Henry, bo. Apr. 28, 1851;
Lansing G., bo. Apr. 2, 1858.

William, when a child, went to Allegany county with his parents, with whom he lived until he was twenty-three years old. He married first, Oct. 2, 1872, Emma M. Stearns, who was born Mar. 28, 1853, a daughter of John and Emily Stearns. Soon after his marriage he left home and after farming for a few years, went into the oil country of Pennsylvania. His wife died Apr. 16, 1881, and he returned to his father's farm. He married second, Jan. 1, 1882, Mary J. Morrison and after living at Wellsville, N. Y., a couple of years, he moved to Potter county, Pa., where he has since lived in Andrews Settlement. He has been auditor and town clerk of Allegany township. He had one child by his first wife, Leona M., born Aug. 27, 1877. By his second wife he has had four children: Wellman A., born Feb. 10, 1883; Ernest G., born May 5, 1887; Jesse A., born Jan. 13, 1889; and Ethel M., born Jan. 22, 1893.

Lansing married, Nov. 2, 1881, Lottie Hoaglan, who was born Jan. 12, 1865, a daughter of William Hoaglan and Sarah Lewis. He is a farmer and has lived at Elm Valley, Allegany Co., N. Y., all his life. He has three children: John C., born Sept. 6, 1882; Edith H., born June 17, 1887; and Nina M., born Nov. 2, 1892.

160. Clarence Bryan Burch (159) was born in Dansville, N. Y., July 21, 1846. He married, July 4, 1866, Emily Hann, who was born Mar. 24, 1856, a daughter of Simeon and Rachel Hann. Mr. Burch is a blacksmith and lives in Cross Village, Emmet Co., Mich. He has had three children as follows:

Eunice Bell, bo. Nov. 26, 1867;
Daniel, bo. May 10, 1870; d. Mar. 23, 188—;
Floy, bo. Jan. 11, 1884; d. Feb. 17, 1897.

Eunice married, July 11, 1894, William M. Shurtleff, who was born Sept. 20, 1855, a son of John J. and Mary B. Shurtleff. They live in Cross Village, Mich. Eunice has three children: Claude Melville, born Jan. 28, 1896; William Mendon, born Aug. 28, 1897; and Mary Bell, born Feb. 8, 1900.

CHAPTER XIII.

THE NATHANIEL BANKER FAMILY.

161. Nathaniel Banker (131) was born, probably in Rensselaer county, N. Y., Nov. 3, 1780. He married Phidelia Allen, who was born Nov. 13, 1792. He was a farmer and lived in Pittstown and Schaghticoke for some years, but finally in 1823 moved to Cayuga county and settled near Owasco, where he died Feb. 14, 1848. His wife died Mar. 13, 1879. He had eight children as follows:

Stephen, bo. July 17, 1814;
Harriet, bo. May 7, 1816; d. June 13, 1817;
162. Ruth, bo. June 28, 1819;
Susanah, bo. Dec. 21, 1821; d. Mar. 5, 1846, without issue;
John Wesley, bo. Jan. 27, 1826;
163. Francis Purdy, bo. Feb. 16, 1828;
Lydia Catharine, bo. Nov. 14, 1831;
164. Eliza, bo. Apr. 23, 1833.

Stephen was killed in a runaway Oct. 18, 1819.

John married Elizabeth Horton. He was a blacksmith and farmer and lived at Nunda, Livingston Co., N. Y. He died June 22, 1904; and his wife died June 19, 1907. He had no issue.

Lydia married about 1881. Edward Pray and died Aug. 15, 1884,* leaving no issue. Nothing is known of her husband.

162. Ruth Banker (161) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., June 28, 1819. When four years old she went with her parents to Owasco, N. Y., and lived near there and at Moravia, Cayuga Co., all of her life. She married, Mar. 31, 1847, Wilhelmus Cuykendall, who was born June 13, 1805. At the time of this marriage Mr. Cuykendall was a widower with a family of small children. The mutual interest and harmony in this

* The records say 1831 and 1834 for these dates, but it seems probable that an 8 has been mistaken for a 3 in each case.

double family is somewhat remarkable. No one would think but that they were all children of the same mother and the step-mother has been honored and respected by all alike. Mr. Cuykendall was a farmer near Moravia, where he died Jan. 14, 1884. Ruth was living in 1900, but has since died. She had seven children as follows:

Fidelia, bo. Jan. 5, 1848;
Ellen Maria, bo. Apr. 16, 1850;
William Denton, bo. July 22, 1853;
Charles Henry, bo. Oct. 23, 1854;
Eunice Ann, bo. Feb. 27, 1856;
Clara, bo. Mar. 10, 1864; d. July 5, 1864;
Hester T., bo. July 7, 1862.

Fidelia married, Oct. 25, 1882,* Samuel Steele. Mr. Steele conducts an iron foundry at Moravia, where he is still living. Fidelia died Mar. 8, 1899, without issue.

Ellen is not married and lives with her brother-in-law, Frank Wright, in Auburn.

William, or Denton as he is usually called, is a dry goods merchant in Moravia. He married, Jan. 29, 1891, Helen Emma Everson. He has no children.

Charles is a farmer near Moravia. He married, Aug. 31, 1880, Julia Mather. He has six children as follows: Howard, born about 1883; Ruth, born about 1884; Earl, born about 1885; Ralph, born about 1888; Mark, born about 1891; and Seth, born about 1895.

Eunice married, Feb. 27, 1878, Humphrey H. Barber. They were living in Moravia in 1900, but have since moved west. They have one son, Lumen Cuykendall, born Dec. 12, 1881.

Hester married, June 3, 1891, Frank S. Wright, who was born Feb. 23, 1858, a son of Geo. Benton Wright and Lydia Jane Thatcher. Mr. Wright is a lawyer and lives in Auburn, N. Y. Hester died Jan. 9, 1899, leaving two children: Carl Frank, born Apr. 25, 1893; and Gladys Hazel, born Feb. 10, 1897.

163. Francis Purdy Banker (161) was born near Owasco, Cayuga Co., N. Y., Feb. 16, 1828. He married, Apr. 30, 1859, Cornelia Ann Frair, who was born Oct. 30, 1837. He was a

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* Also given as Nov. 25, 1883.

farmer and lived near Owasco most of his life, but in his last years moved to the vicinity of Moravia, where he died Feb. 24, 1891. His widow still survives. He had three children as follows:

Fred Austin, bo. Jan. 3, 1861;
Ross Dorr, bo. May 11, 1866;
Grace Eliza, bo. July 25, 1870.

Fred married, Sept. 15, 1886, Alta Sarah Peacock. He is a farmer and lives on the shores of Owasco Lake. He has no children.

Ross married, Jan. 23, 1889, Mattie Tuthill. They were living in Moravia in 1900. He has no children.

Grace is unmarried and lives with her mother.

164. Eliza Banker (161) was born near Owasco, N. Y., Apr. 23, 1833. She married, Jan. 1, 1849, John LeFever,* who was born June 22, 1825. He was a farmer near Owasco, N. Y. He died Dec. 4, 1896. Eliza was living in 1900, but I understand has since died. She had two children as follows:

Franklin Banker, bo. Nov. 15, 1851;
Elmer, bo. Feb. 8, 1862.

Franklin married, Apr. 7, 1875, Janie Louisa Hoornbeeck, who was born July 21, 1855. He is a farmer and lives near Owasco. He has one girl, Lizzie, born Dec. 5, 1880.

Elmer married, Oct. 27, 1880, Cora Lizzie Cuykendall, who was born Jan. 30, 1861. He has three children: Florence S., born Apr. 29, 1884; Frank Cuykendall, born June 14, 1886; and Wesley Banker, born Dec. 28, 1891.

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* Also spelled LeFevre.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE WILLIAM BANKER FAMILY OF ROCHESTER.

165. William Banker (131) was born in Rensselaer county, N. Y., May 5, 1783. He married, Feb. 1, 1807, Mary Adams, who was born Mar. 10, 1782. He was a farmer in Schaghticoke for a number of years, but about 1823 or later he moved to Rochester, N. Y., where he died July 20, 1855. His wife died Apr. 29, 1854. He had seven children as follows:

166. Hiram, bo. Nov. 9, 1807;
169. Timothy W., bo. Jan. 11, 1810;
172. Adolph, bo. May 20, 1813;
173. William, bo. Sept. 25, 1815;
David, bo. Apr. 20, 1818;
174. Mary, bo. Sept. 13, 1820;
John W., bo. Jan. 23, 1823.

David married some one by the name of Maggie ———. He had only one daughter, Hattie. She is said to be unmarried and living in Mount Clemens, Mich. A letter directed there brought no reply. The writer remembers seeing David Banker many years ago visiting at his father's and has a photograph of him taken about that time, but no trace of him could be found in recent years.

John married and had a family, but little is known about him. He was living at one time in Quincy, Ill., and is supposed to have lived in Minneapolis, Minn. He is said to have been a Pullman car conductor. His children's names are given as Cora Ophelia and Wilkerson.

166. Hiram Banker (165) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1807. He married first, Feb. 10, 1832, Sarah Gardner, who was born Oct. 30, 1811, a daughter of Ishmael Gardner of Canandaigua, N. Y. Soon after his marriage he removed to Rochester, N. Y., where he lived the remainder of his life. He was a merchant and was active in public affairs. He was also very active in the church and displayed a character

of positive Christian integrity and of more than ordinary spiritual attainments. He was at first a member of the Methodist church, but later in life united with the Presbyterian. His first wife died Dec. 6, 1838, and he married second, Sept. 5, 1839, Ophelia Valleau, who was born Sept. 13, 1812, and died June 11, 1877. Hiram died Sept. 22, 1864.* His children by his first wife were:

167. Mary Sophia, bo. Apr. 29, 1833;
168. Sarah Jane, bo. Dec. 19, 1834;
Emily G., bo. July 27, 1838; d. Aug. 6, 1839.

By his second wife he had:

Robert Philo, bo. July 8, 1840; d. June 1, 1860; unmarried;
Lucy Hedding, bo. June 4, 1842;
Rufus Henry, bo. Feb. 9, 1846.

Lucy married, Jan. 9, 1867, John Hunter Hollingsworth, who was born June 6, 1836. Mr. Hollingsworth was a merchant of New York City and lived in Paterson, N. J., where his wife died Sept. 21, 1872. Mr. Hollingsworth died Oct. 11, 1897, having married a second time. Lucy had four children: Lucy Banker, born Nov. 10, 1867, and is living unmarried with her step-mother in New York City; John H., born June 26, 1871, and died Aug. 28, 1871; and twin infants born Sept. 21, 1872, and died with the mother.

Rufus married Emily C. Clark, who was born Apr. 19, 1846, a daughter of Jabes and Roxana Clark. He is an engineer and lives in Westfield, Mass. He has had two children: Bertha May, born Sept. 19, 1877, and died Oct. 10, 1891; and Bessie Jennie, born May 30, 1882.

167. Mary Sophia Banker (166) was born possibly in Rensselaer county, N. Y., Apr. 29, 1833. She married, Sept. 9, 1855, John Wesley Green, who was born Apr. 9, 1834. She died Nov. 9, 1892. Her husband was still living in 1902. She had nine children:

Herbert Gardner, bo. Aug. 27, 1856;
Kate Blanch, bo. Apr. 22, 1858;
Robert Wesley, bo. Oct. 6, 1859;

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* Also given as 1865.

Harry Carleton, bo. June 28, 1862;
Bessie, bo. June 8, 1864;
May Banker, bo. Nov. 28, 1866;
Louis Nelson, bo. Aug. 26, 1868; d. Feb. 16, 1882;
Fred Ernest, bo. Feb. 3, 1872;
Lucy Caroline, bo. Feb. 1, 1874.

Herbert married Olive Barber and has one child, May Abbie, born May 31, 1878.

Kate married, Jan. 5, 1876, Edward W. Burgess. She died July 10, 1887. She had four children: Berta, born Sept. 15, 1877; Edward Wesley, born June 12, 1880; Louis Green, born Sept. 19, 1882; and Frank, born Mar. 25, 1887.

Robert married Jennie Francelia Dunham, who was born Nov. 6, 1862. He has at least nine children: Rufus Edward, born June 10, 1881; Addie Bell, born July 9, 1883; Maud May, born Aug. 5, 1885; Bessie Hazel, born June 29, 1888; Robert Worth, born Aug. 19, 1890; Lucy Francelia, born June 19, 1892; Berta Maria, born Feb. 19, 1895; John Loader, born Sept. 17, 1897; and Eldridge Dunham, born Dec. 9, 1900.

Harry married, Sept. 24, 1895, Lida Crane. He has no children.

May married, May 5, 1888, George H. Roe, who was born Mar. 10, 1864. She has had six children: Eula Dee, born Aug. 23, 1889; May Cecil, born Apr. 29, 1891; William Wesley, born Sept. 7, 1893; Mark Henry, born Nov. 24, 1896; Ella, born Mar. 29, 1899; and Lucy, born May 14, 1901.

Fred married, Dec. 14, 1898, May Wolverton, who was born in September, 1876. He has at least two children: Wesley Stewart, born Sept. 1, 1899; and a son, name not given, born Feb. 23, 1902.

Lucy married, Apr. 4, 1895, Hoyt W. Hulbert, who was born Dec. 27, 1870. She has at least four children: Anna Sophia, born Oct. 27, 1895; Harriet Simpson, born Mar. 1, 1897; Rufus Green, born Oct. 11, 1898; and Nellie Adelaide, born May 8, 1901.

168. Sarah Jane Banker (166) was born in Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 19, 1834. She married, Dec. 25, 1861, George Washington Park, who was born at Stockbridge, Mass., May 13, 1815,

a son of James Park* and Melinda Hyde.† Mr. Park was a merchant and lived in Waterford, Canada. He died at Brantford, Canada, Aug 18, 1868. Sarah died Aug. 4, 1874. She had two children:

George Valleau, bo. Nov. 29, 1862;
Hobart Hyde, bo. Feb. 29, 1864; drowned Jan. 31, 1882.

George married. Sept. 27, 1889, Eugenia Wilhelmina Jönsson, who was born in Norrköping, Sweden, June 20, 1861, a daughter of John and Josifina Jönsson. He is a missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church in India, having been sent out to Bombay in 1886. At the coronation of King Edward VII of England he was decorated with the "Kaiser i Hind" medal for "public service" in India, this public service being chiefly in connection with the great famine of 1900. He returned for a year of rest in 1906, but is again at his work in India, being now the District Superintendent of the Gujarat District. He is located at Baroda Camp. He has had four children: John William, born Sept. 3, 1890; died July 1, 1900; George Oscar, born April 25, 1892, and now at Delaware, Ohio, for his education: Sarah Wilhelmina, born Oct. 9, 1894; and Josephine Catharine Elizabeth, born Aug. 20, 1897.

169. Timothy W. Banker (165) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1810. He went to Rochester, N. Y., and finally settled on a farm in Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y. He married, Sept. 9, 1835, Josina Teller, who was born Nov. 17, 1815, a daughter of John Teller and Catharine Vosburgh. He died Jan. 22, 1879, and his wife died in Greece, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1900. He had four children as follows:

John Warren, bo. Sept. 1, 1836;
170. Emma Jane, bo. Nov. 29, 1840;
Charles Henry, bo. Oct. 12, 1843;
171. Catharine Amelia, bo. Oct. 3, 1847.

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* James Park was a son of Elijah Park, a Revolutionary soldier serving in the 6th Reg't, Dutchess Co. Militia. He was a descendant of Robert Park, who was born in England in 1580 and migrated to New England in 1630. For further notices of the Park Family see the Park Genealogy.

† Melinda Hyde was a daughter of General Caleb Hyde of the Revolutionary War.

John married first, Mar. 1, 1862, Sarah A. Allen. She died May 28, 1865, and he married second Sarah Lapp,* who died in 1902. He was a policeman and for many years drove the "Black Maria" at Auburn Prison. For several years he was a keeper of the prison. For five years he was a city fireman. At the time of his death he was on the regular police force and was suddenly stricken while going to his beat and died in a few hours. He probably always lived in Auburn, but the exact date of his death is not known. He had one child by his first wife, Carrie Bell, who died May 22, 1864. By his second wife he had four children: Fred, John, James, and William. Nothing further is known of these.

Charles married, Jan. 1, 1868, Nancy Ann Gannon. He was a farmer and lived in Greece, N. Y., where he died Apr. 24, 1901. His widow was living at Barnard's Crossing, Monroe Co., N. Y., in 1903. So far as known he had no children.

170. Emma Jane Banker (169) was born in Monroe Co., N. Y., Nov. 29, 1840. She married, Dec. 2, 1863, Oliver Benedict, who was born Mar. 19, 1843. Mr. Benedict is a farmer and they live near Henrietta, Monroe Co., N. Y. They have two children:

Mary Eliza, bo. Oct. 19, 1864;
Homer Erastus, bo. Nov. 17, 1868.

Mary married, Feb. 20, ——, Elmer H. Redmond. She has no children.

Homer married, Dec. 27, 1893, Lillian Maud Tyler, who was born Jan. 23, 1870. He is a farmer and lives with his father. He has at least three children: Cecil, born about August, 1897, and died June 8, 1899; Thelma, born Sept. 3, 1899; and George Oliver, born Sept. 1, 1902.

171. Catharine Amelia Banker (169) was born near Henrietta, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1847. She married, Mar. 22, 1865, Truman Hinman Robbins, who was born Apr. 27, 1839. Mr. Robbins was a carpenter and lived at West Henrietta. He may be still living, but his wife died Mar. 5, 1881. She had three children:

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* She was a first cousin of Nettie Lapp. See page 184.

Charles H., bo. Dec. 28, 1865;
Theodore Smith, bo. Aug. 17, 1868;
Nanetta, bo. July 16, 1870.

Charles married, May 1, 1888, Helen A. Clark, who was born Mar. 5, 1867, a daughter of Geo. C. Clark and Mary Potter. Mr. Robbins is a machinist and lives in Rochester, N. Y. He has only an adopted son, Harold St. Claire, born June 2, 1899.

Theodore married, Feb. 1, 1894, Jessie Williams, who was born July 25, 1868, a daughter of Ira O. Williams and Mary M. Martin. He is a tinsmith and lives in Rochester, N. Y. He has at least one daughter, Catharine Mary, born Dec. 24, 1900.

Nanetta married before January, 1900, W. C. Wilcox. She died Nov. 9, 1902, probably leaving no children.

172. Adolph Banker (165) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., May 20, 1813. He married, about 1840, Janette Hipp, who was born May 30, 1820, a daughter of James Hipp and Sarah Wallace. He lived most of his life in Rochester, N. Y., and died there Jan. 22, 1854. His wife died Oct. 1, 1903. He had two children as follows:

Edwin Oberon, bo. Oct. 13, 1842;
Mary Elizabeth, bo. June, 1848.

Edwin married, Dec. 30, 1875, Mary J. Evans, who was born July 2, 1847, a daughter of Evan Evans and Lydia Ann Paddock. His wife died Sept. 18, 1904, and he married second, Sept. 5, 1907, Miss Frances R. Smith. He is now living at 77 Stilson St. Rochester. He has had two children: Edna Mary Evans, born Sept. 2, 1880, and married, Feb. 3, 1909, to Karl Edgar Brewer; and Frank Evan, born July 7, 1883, and married, June 11, 1908, to Marjorie Coraline Metherell.

Mary married Winfield S. Richards, who died Nov. 3, 1901. She lives at 561 Parsells Ave., Rochester, N. Y. She has one adopted child, Theron Archer, and one child of her own, Charles Edwin, born June 10, 1881. Theron married, Jan. 22, 1896, Sophie Woomwell and has three children: Raymond, born Feb. 19, 1897; Florence Jane, born June 29, 1900; and Edna Elizabeth, born Mar., 1904. Charles married, Apr. 17, 1900, Harriet Blekkenk and has three children: Ethel Elizabeth, born Jan. 13, 1901; Edwin Charles, born July 29, 1902; and Scott Winfield, born Nov. 11, 1905.

173. WILLIAM BANKER (165) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 25, 1815. He married, Dec. 24, 1852, Louisa Baldwin, who was born Sept. 13, 1828, a daughter of John and Lydia Baldwin. She died Nov. 18 or 29, 1886. William is a farmer and has lived in Goblesville, Van Buren Co., Mich., since 1887. It is not known whether he is still living. He has had three children:

George Wesley, bo. Jan. 31, 1854;
John H., bo. Sept. 21, 1857.
Willis Eugene, bo. Jan. 27, 1860.

George married, June 22, 1880, Avis Ione Warner, who was born Mar. 31, 1855, a daughter of Olcutt and Lucinda Warner. He is a farmer and lives in Waverly, Van Buren Co., Mich. He has two children: Floyd Wesley, born Sept. 9, 1882, and Orlie Avis, born June 30, 1899.

John married, Mar. 14 1887, Orpha May Harmon. He is a farmer and lives in Goblesville, Van Buren Co., Mich. He has no children.

Willis married, Jan. 1, 1890, Harriet Elizabeth Jones, who was born about 1862. He is a farmer and lived in Michigan for six years, then went to McLean county, Ill., and farmed for six years, and finally moved to Bourbon, Crawford Co., Mo., where he is now living. He has no children.

174. MARY BANKER (165) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1820. She married, in June, 1842 or 1843, Stephen Titus Wilsie, who was born Oct. 5, 1815, in Schoharie, N. Y. He was a son of Peter Wilsie and Phoebe Titus. He was a carpenter and farmer and lived in Brandon, Wis., from about 1855 until his death Mar. 10, 1887. Mary died June 12, 1873. She had five children as follows:

Edward Peter, bo. Mar. 9, 1846;
Hiram Banker, bo. June 26, 1848;
Mary Emily, bo. May 31, 1855;
John Wilkerson, bo. Dec. 10, 1860;*
Cynthia Ophelia, bo. Aug. 22, 1862.

Edward married, Nov. 2, 1874, Ermina Butler, who was born Nov. 8, 1855. He lived in Brandon, Wis., in 1903, and had no children.

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* Also given as 1859.

Hiram married, Oct. 28, 1875, Nettie Lapp,* who was born Jan. 5, 1853. He has been a farmer, engineer, machinist, carpenter, optician, and bookbinder. When a child he went to Brandon, Wis., with his father, where he lived until 1872. He then returned to Rochester, N. Y., for three years, then went to Oshkosh, Wis., for two years, then to Fairfax, Va., for two years, and finally in 1880 he returned to Rochester, where he has since lived. His wife died Feb. 12, 1903. His children are: Stephen H., born Oct. 11, 1876, and died Nov. 11, 1876; Harriet E., born Jan. 26, 1878; Bernice Clayton, born July 25, 1879, and died Dec. 2, 1901; Flora Adele, born Mar. 16, 1882, married, June 16, 1903, Charles Hyatt, and lives at 38 Holmdell St., Rochester: Carrie Louisa, born Oct. 16, 1880, and died July 9, 1881; and Mary Banker, born June 30, 1887.

Mary married, Oct. 12, 1876, William E. Bush. She is a school teacher and has lived in Valley City, North Dakota, since 1880. She has seven children: Marian Helen, born Nov. 6, 1877, who married, in 1898, John D. Gule and has at least three children, Harold, Marion, and Elsie; Jessie, born Sept. 19, 1879; Stephen Eugene, born Dec. 10, 1881; Clara Ophelia, born Dec. 24, 1886: Wilhelmina, born Mar. 8, 1890; John, born Nov. 20, 1892; and Katy, born Feb. 8, 1896.

John married, Mar. 31, 1891, Alice Mary Kingsley, who was born at Grass Lake, Mich., Aug. 3, 1866, a daughter of William A. Kingsley and Harriet M. Sherman. Mr. Wilsie is a farmer and lived in Cooperstown, North Dak. He has one child, Maude Lovina, born Feb. 13, 1892.

Cynthia is unmarried and is a nurse in the Hubble Park Asylum, Rochester, N. Y.

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* Nettie was a first cousin of Sarah Lapp. See page 181.

CHAPTER XV.

THE VERITY FAMILY.

175. Eunice Banker (131) was born probably in Rensselaer county, N. Y., June 27, 1788. She married, Feb. 1, 1812, James Gritman Verity, who was born in Queens county, L. I., Jan. 20, 1786, a son of James Verity* and Hannah Gritman. When fourteen years old James G. Verity was apprenticed to a Quaker weaver living at Nine Partners Patent, Dutchess Co., N. Y. He worked there until he was twenty-one, then went to Schaghticoke Point, N. Y., and worked in the cotton factories there for several years. He then worked for Uncle Peter Grant,† where he became acquainted with Eunice Banker. After his marriage he lived for a time below Melrose on a farm, continuing his trade of weaving on a loom in his own house. About 1830 he went west with his family and lived for a year near his brother-in-law's, Nathaniel Banker,‡ at Owasco, Cayuga Co. He then moved to Lysander, Onondaga Co., where he bought a

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* The following account of the Verity family has been given me. I do not know its authority.

The Veritys are descendants of a James Verity who came to Long Island in the time of Cromwell. He was a Frenchman born in the north of France. He was in the French army on the confines of Turkey in the reign of Louis XIV of France and was captured by the Turks. While a prisoner he met and became attached to a Turkish woman by whose aid he escaped and with her returned to France, where they were married. Soon after this he came to Long Island, N. Y. One of his descendants was the James Verity mentioned in the text, who was born in Queens county, L. I., in 1760. He married in 1781 Hannah Gritman, who is said to have been of German descent.

A second account differs slightly from the preceding and is as follows: James Verity, the father of James G. Verity, was born in France and came to this country in 1776 as a soldier of the Revolutionary War. He married Rebecca Gritman, a woman of Dutch descent, and had five children: Rebecca, Charity, James, William, and Oliver.

The first account perhaps originated with Judge Verity of Ohio, who possibly gave the subject some investigation. The second account was given me directly by his sister, Mrs. Ruth Davis, the second eldest child of James G. Verity. I have not attempted to verify either account by a search of records, but have given both here that they might be preserved as of interest to the Verity family. My knowledge of the background of history leads me to give chief credence to the latter account.

† See page 151.

‡ See page 174.

farm and there lived until his death May 8, 1840. Eunice died in Lysander Aug. 22, 1834. She had nine children:

176. Oliver Banker, bo. Jan. 8, 1815;
181. Ruth, bo. Jan 21, 1816;
183. Caroline, bo. Apr. 15, 1817;
187. William Banker, bo. July 21, 1819;
189. Mary Ann, bo. Apr. 6, 1823;
190. Nancy, bo. Dec. 4, 1824;
Hope Jane, bo. Mar. 5, 1826;
191. James Henry, bo. Apr. 4, 1828;
192. Day Otis, bo. Dec. 1, 1831.

Hope Jane was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y. She went to Lysander, N. Y., with her parents when a child and later went to Michigan. About 1854 she married Jacob Wright, a widower with two children. She seems to have been living at the time with her sister, Caroline Barnes,* in Fulton county, Ohio. They went to a justice of the peace, Ben Hornbeck, near Morenci, Mich., in an open cutter, and the weather was so cold that Hope froze her feet. Soon after her marriage she and her husband went to live at West Unity, Ohio, where the youngest child died. About a year later they moved to Locus Corners near Hudson, Mich. A few years after Mrs. Barnes received a letter from her stating that she was not well and asking her to come and see her, but Mrs. Barnes was unable to leave her own family at the time. Nothing more was ever heard from her, and it is believed that she died about that time. Mrs. Barnes and also her brother, Oliver, tried to find her afterwards but were unsuccessful. She is believed to have had no children. Her husband's eldest boy by his first wife was Darius and he was about seven or eight at the time of her marriage.

176. Oliver Banker Verity (175) was born in Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Jan. 8, 1815. He went to Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., with his father in 1831. He married, Feb. 28, 1838, in Plainville, Onondaga Co., Celome Scofield, who was born in Lysander Sept. 26, 1818. She was a daughter of Amasa Banks Scofield and Polly Lee.† Immediately after his marriage

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* See page 193.

† Both parents are said to have been from Connecticut and were married at Marcellus, Onondaga Co., in 1817.

Mr. Verity was elected school examiner for the town of Lysander and served one year. In 1843 or 1844 he moved to Ohio and settled on a farm in Gorham township in what was then known as Lucas Co. In 1846 he was appointed school examiner for the town of Gorham, which office he held until Fulton county was organized in 1850. He was then appointed county school examiner and held the office until 1857. He was also town clerk of Gorham for nine years. In 1855 he was elected justice of the peace, but later resigned to accept the position of probate judge to which he was elected in 1857. To the latter office he was re-elected three times serving in all twelve years and became widely known in Michigan and Ohio as Judge Verity of Fulton Co. On his election as probate judge he moved his family to Ottokee, at that time the county seat, which became their permanent home. On the election of Lincoln as President in 1860, Judge Verity was appointed postmaster of Ottokee and held the place a little over twenty-four years until May, 1885. He was justice of the peace from 1870 to 1888.

In 1874 he was chosen superintendent of the newly built county infirmary and held the position until 1880. He was a juror in the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio six times and was assistant marshal for the census of 1870. He also wrote a history of Fulton county, Ohio, with whose early development he was closely identified. He died in Ottokee Nov. 9, 1889. His wife died at the home of her son, Amasa B. Verity, in Bay City, Mich., from paralysis May 2, 1896. Their children were:

177. Amasa Banker, bo. May 26, 1839;
178. Polly Eliza, bo. May 7, 1842;
179. James Leslie, bo. Oct. 8, 1846;
Harriet Antoinette, bo. July 21, 1853; d. Sept. 23, 1861;
180. Oliver Adelbert, bo. June 9, 1855;
George W., bo. Dec. 29, 1860; d. Jan. 25, 1861;

177. Amasa Banker Verity (176) was born in Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., May 26, 1839. He went to Fulton county, Ohio, with his father and there married, July 4, 1861, Malvina Haughton, who was born June 11, 1842, a daughter of Stephen and Huldah Haughton. Mr. Verity has been the chief engineer

of the waterworks department at Bay City, Mich., since 1872, and lives at 2946 N. Water St. His children are:

Kenneth Clyde, bo. May 9, 1863;
Algiva Celome, bo. Mar. 27, 1867;
Lillian Caressa, bo. Sept. 5, 1872;
Mabel Eliza, bo. Mar. 31, 1875; d. May 19, 1895;
Royal Ernest, bo. Feb. 23, 1880.

Kenneth married, Nov. 21, 1884, Olive M. Secor, who was born Feb. 28, 1867, a daughter of Andrew Secor and Ida Mattoon. He is a machinist and was living at 1107, 11th St., Bay City, Mich., in 1901. He has no children.

Algiva married, Apr. 2, 1891, Benjamin Dixon, who was born Nov. 3, 1858, a son of John Dixon and Julia Ann Chase. Her husband is a traveling salesman and they live in Bay City, Mich. They have three children: Clark Burrus, born Dec. 26, 1891; Erwin Benjamin, born Aug. 1, 1893; and Ramon Verity, born May 24, 1897.

Lillian married, Feb. 25, 1896, Allan McEwan, a son of William McEwan and Annie Fraser. She died Apr. 10, 1899, and her husband married second, May 8, 1901, Jenna L. Dixon, of Saginaw, Mich. Mr. McEwan is in the real estate business at Bay City, Mich. Lillian had two children as follows: Jessie Mabel, born June 5, 1897, and died Oct. 9, 1897; and Ronald Allan, born July 28, 1898.

Royal served in the Spanish War in Co. C, 33d Michigan Vol. Inf., and participated in the capture of Santiago. He was discharged with "meritorious service" on his papers Dec. 22, 1898. He was living at home unmarried in 1901.

178. Polly Eliza Verity (176) was born in Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., May 7, 1842. She married, Aug. 9, 1862, Claudius B. Gillis, who was born Nov. 28, 1842, a son of Ezra and Emily Gillis. Mr. Gillis is a produce dealer and was living in Great Bend, Kansas, in 1901. Polly died in March, 1864. Her husband has been married twice since. She had one daughter:

Ada Nathalia, bo. July 27, 1863.

Ada was born in Fulton county, Ohio, and married first, Nov. 4, 1880, Thomas J. Wilcox, who was born in 1857, a son of Abner and Adaline Wilcox. She married second, Jan. 1, 1891,

Wallace W. Snyder, who was born May 3, 1853, a son of William R. and Elizabeth Snyder. Mr. Snyder is a blacksmith and he and his wife live in Tedrow, Fulton Co., Ohio. Ada had one child by her first husband, Claude G., born Sept. 19, 1882. By her second husband she had: Alta W., born Jan. 29, 1893; and Veda M., born Oct. 24, 1895.

179. James Leslie Verity (176) was born in what is now Fulton county, Ohio, Oct. 8, 1846. He enlisted in the Civil War at Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 27, 1864, and served in Co. C, 10th Ohio Vol. Cavalry, receiving his discharge at Lexington, N. C., July 24, 1865. After his return from the war he married, Sept. 16, 1866, Emeline Shadle, who was born Apr. 3, 1846, a daughter of Joseph and Jane Shadle. Mr. Verity was a clerk and pension agent and lived in Ottokee, Ohio, from the time of his marriage until 1870, then at Wauseon until his death Dec. 3, 1872. His widow was living at Butler, Ind., in 1901. His children were:

Florence Antoinette, bo. Mar. 22, 1868;
Harvey Eugene, bo. Apr. 19, 1872;*
James Leslie, bo. Aug. 17, 1873.

Florence was born in Ottokee and married, Aug. 18, 1886, Rev. Aratus Barker, who was born Apr. 20, 1860, a son of William J. and Nancy Emeline Barker. Mr. Barker is a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a member of the Central Ohio Conference. They were living in Lafayette, Allan Co., Ohio, in 1901, and have one child, Ethel Emeline, born Aug. 9, 1891, in Deshler, Ohio.

Harvey married, Sept. 4, 1889, Julia Allwood, who was born Jan. 1, 1869, a daughter of Washington and Hannah Allwood. He is a farmer and lives in Ottokee, Ohio. He has one daughter, Nellie G., born Sept. 30, 1890.

James L. became a farmer and married first, Nov. 25, 1892, Sophronia Allwood who was born Mar. 13, 1873, a daughter of Washington and Hanna Allwood and a sister of Julia, who married his brother Harvey. She died Oct. 18, 1897. After her death he enlisted in the Spanish War at Wauseon, Ohio, Apr. 3, 1898. He served in Co. G, 6th Ohio Vol. Inf., and received his discharge at Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 18, 1898. He

* Also given as Apr. 20, 1871.

married second, Feb. 25, 1900, Stella E. Miley, who was born Mar. 13, 1877, a daughter of Enos and Balinda Miley. Mr. Verity is now living on a farm at Ottokee, Ohio. He has one child by his first wife, Carl O., born Aug. 26, 1894.

180. Oliver Adelbert Verity (176) was born in Fulton county, Ohio, June 9, 1855. He attended college at Oberlin, Ohio, and married, Oct. 3, 1874, Delana Golden, who was born Feb. 2, 1856, a daughter of George and Caroline Golden. He is a carpenter and lived in Ohio until 1877, then moved to Kansas. In 1883 he returned to Ohio and in 1888 went to Washington, where he is now living at Home. His children are:

Edith Eloise, bo. Sept. 13, 1875; d. at birth;
Eglantine Arrella, bo. Jan 28, 1877;
Kenneth Banker, bo. Jan. 7, 1882;
Macie Sciola, bo. Dec. 9, 1884.

Eglantine married, Jan. 28, 1897, August Charles Holz, who was born Dec. 8, 1875, a son of Christian and Wilhelmina Holz. Mr. Holz is a farmer in Washington. They have one child, Eva Lucile, born May 16, 1900.

181. Ruth Verity (175) was born in Pittstown or Schaghticoke, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1816. She went to Lysander with her father and finally to Fulton county, Ohio, where she married, Mar. 27, 1847, William Davis, a son of William Davis and Huldah Hulett. He was born Apr. 1, 1821, in West Killingly, Conn., said to have been within three miles of Putnam's famous wolf den, and when a boy moved with his parents to Ohio. After their marriage Ruth and her husband lived in Williams county, Ohio, for a few years, but about 1852 moved to Joe Daviess county, Ill., and two years later settled in Dallas, Texas, where Mr. Davis engaged in the hardware business. Being a strong abolitionist in sentiment he found it expedient to move north, and a year or two before the Civil War broke out he moved to Iowa near Iowa City and purchased a half interest in a sawmill. Soon after the opening of the war he enlisted as a corporal in Co. G, 6th Iowa Infantry, and was mustered in July 16, 1861. He was killed, Apr. 6, 1862, at the battle of Shiloh, the first battle of importance in which he was engaged. Ruth

is still living (1909) with her daughter, Mrs. Hatch, in Walla Walla, Wash. Her children are as follows:

182. Jane Augusta, bo. Mar. 14, 1848;
James Adelbert, bo. Aug. 5, 1856;
Julia Adella, bo. Mar. 22, 1856;
Josephine Annette, bo. Dec. 25, 1858;
Jessie Amelia, bo. Nov. 4, 1861; died young.

James was born in Williams county, Ohio, and married, Oct. 30, 1878, at Vinton, Iowa, Helen M. Porter, who was born Aug. 31, 1860, in Lee county, Ill. She was a daughter of Lauren W. Porter and Harriett A. Hawkins. After his marriage James lived in Hutchinson county, South Dakota. About 1886, he moved to Plymouth county, Iowa, but in a few years moved back to Washington county, Oregon, and now lives on a farm at Mulino, Clackmas Co. His children are: Ora Adelbert, born Sept. 4, 1882, and married, Nov. 8, 1905, Ethel M. Carlisle, who was born May 24, 1884; Charles Ernest, born Aug. 9, 1885; Etta May, born Jan. 28, 1887, and married, Jan 11, 1905, J. M. Mallatt, who was born Sept. 13, 1883, and has two children, Alta M., born Jan. 6, 1906, and W. Adelbert, born July 9, 1908; and James Archie, born Nov. 8, 1892.

Julia was born in Dallas, Texas, and moved to Iowa with her parents in 1857. She married, Jan 6, 1881, Samuel A. Porter, who was born May 29, 1858, a son of Lauren W. Porter and Harriett A. Hawkins. They lived in Jamestown, North Dakota, until 1897, when they separated. Julia and her children moved to Washington in 1902, where they are now (1909) living on a claim of 182 acres, fourteen miles southeast of Winchester. She has had six children as follows: William Adelbert, born Jan. 3, 1882; Ernest A., born Dec. 20, 1883, and died the next day; Lauren Wheeler, born May 7, 1887; Albert Edwin, born Oct. 23, 1891; Ruth Ella May, born Apr. 17, 1894; and Samuel Allen, born Aug. 27, 1897.

Josephine was born near Iowa City, Iowa, and married, Nov. 29, 1883, Charles N. Hatch, who was born Aug. 1, 1856, at Canandaigua, N. Y., a son of James G. Hatch and Hannah Austin. Mr. Hatch is in business in Walla Walla, Washington. Josephine has two children: Estella, born Jan. 29, 1885, and married Feb. 17, 1907, J. B. Oaks, who was born Mar. 24, 1876; and Arthur Davis, born Jan. 3, 1891.

182. Jane Augusta Davis (181) was born in Williams county, Ohio, Mar. 14, 1848. She married, Apr. 15, 1866, in Johnson county, Iowa, Seth Talbott, who was born Aug. 12, 1835, in Ohio. He was a son of Jonathan Talbott and Amy Burnett.* In 1868, Jane and her husband moved to Benton county, Iowa, where they lived about twenty years, then moved to Sioux Falls, Lincoln Co., South Dakota. They are now living in Ottawa, Kan. Jane has had ten children as follows:

Leonard Wilbur, bo. Apr. 18, 1867;
Harriet Adella, bo. June 29, 1869;
Josephine May, bo. Apr. 24, 1871;
Ruth Amy, bo. July 12, 1874;
Cora Alice, bo. Mar. 8, 1876;
Stella Augusta, bo. May 31, 1878;
Charles Albert, bo. July 10, 1882;
Myra Edith, bo. July 24, 1884;
Jessie, bo. Dec., 26, 1886; d. Jan. 4, 1887;
William Adelbert, bo. May 1, 1890.

Leonard was born in Johnson county, Iowa, and married, Mar. 9, 1890, in Canton, South Dakota, Mary E. Hammitt, who was born Aug. 10, 1868, in Kansas. He has two children: Mildred M., born Feb. 23, 1891; and Florence L., born July 24, 1895.

Harriet was born in Benton county, Iowa, and married, Mar. 29, 1891, in Dayton, Lincoln Co., South Dakota, Mat J. Slack, who was born Oct. 20, 1871, in South Dakota. She has one child, Inez I., born Feb. 9, 1895.

Josephine married, Jan. 8, 1893, in Lincoln county, Delos Clark, who was born Dec. 25, 1871, in Greenville, Mich. Her children are: Blanche, born Oct 29, 1894; Lillian, born Nov. 23, 1895; William, born Feb. 6, 1897; Ruth Amy, born Nov. 8, 1898; George, born May 8, 1900; Donald, born Jan. 13, 1902; Ethel, born Aug. 16, 1904; and Robert, born Aug. 21, 1906.

Ruth married, Dec. 18, 1898, John Haw, who was born Oct. 11, 1867, in Illinois. She has two children: Ray, born Mar. 20, 1899; and Floyd, born Nov. 16, 1900.

Cora married, Apr. 12, 1905, near Ottawa, Kan., Samuel J. Moore, who was born at Port Perry, Canada, Oct. 7, 1875.

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* Jonathan was born Aug. 23, 1810, and died Mar. 10, 1858. Amy was born Nov. 16, 1812, in New York, and died Oct. 29, 1886.

She has two children: Augusta Charlotte, born Feb. 21, 1906, and Walter S. J., born Sept. 9, 1907.

183. Caroline Verity (175) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Apr. 15, 1817. She went with her parents to Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., in 1831 and there married Ezekiel Lewis Barnes, of Plainville, Oct. 21, 1837. Mr. Barnes was born Apr. 29, 1816. He was a carpenter by trade but later in life became a farmer. After their marriage they lived for a year or two in Mexico, N. Y., and then moved west to Fulton county, Ohio, where Caroline's brother lived. Later, Mr. Barnes bought a farm in Ensley, Newaygo Co., Mich., where they lived until his death June 1, 1887. He had been in poor health for several years and fell dead of heart failure as he was going to milk his cow. Caroline died from a cancer Sept. 17, 1889, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Atwood, in Grand Rapids, Mich. She had four children as follows:

184 Henry Alonzo, bo. Dec. 9, 1841;
185. Ruth Amelia, bo. Jan. 31, 1844;
186. Susanna Adell, bo. Nov. 15, 1845;
Mary Eveline, bo. Mar. 14, 1848.

Mary married, Jan. 1, 1871, William Benton Miller, who was born Sept. 24, 1838, a son of Anthony and Mary Miller. Mr. Miller was a farmer and lived in Ensley, Newaygo Co., Mich. He and his wife now live in Rocky Ford, Colorado. Mary is a dressmaker. She has no children.

184. Henry Alonzo Barnes (183) was born Dec. 9, 1841,* He enlisted in the Civil War, entering Co. F, 4th Reg't, Mich. Vol. Inf., May 16, 1861, and served three years, then re-enlisted and was assigned to Co. B, 1st Mich. Vol. Inf., in which he served to the close of the war. A large part of the time he held the rank of first sergeant. He was in active service throughout the war, being in thirty-nine engagements from the first Bull Run, July 21, 1861, to Appomattox, April 9, 1865, including the heavy battles of Malvern Hill, Antietam, Fredericsburg, Chancellorville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, and the siege of Petersburg. He was wounded five times, the most severe being in the Battle of the Wilderness, May 5, 1864, where he

*Also given as 1840.

received an injury to the left arm and was struck by a piece of spent shell in the groin. He was sent to the Lincoln General Hospital, Washington, D. C., then transferred to Patterson Park General Hospital, Baltimore, Md., where he suffered from gangrene in his arm. As soon as he was able to travel he was sent to the U. S. Army General Hospital at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa. When he became convalescent here he ran away and returned to his regiment and was permitted to take part in the battles before Richmond. When Lee surrendered he was sent back to the Hospital at Chestnut Hill, where he received his discharge Aug. 26, 1865. He married first, Sept. 6, 1865, Elizabeth Karst of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa. She was born in Germany. After the war, Mr. Barnes went into the lumber business and has lived in various places, but chiefly in Michigan, and in 1902 he was living at 343 East Leonard St., Grand Rapids, Mich. His first wife died in November, 1869, in Croton, Newaygo Co., Mich., and he married second, Apr. 16, 1871, Alzina Swan in Cannonsburg, Kent Co., Mich. She was born in Bangor, Maine, Dec. 25, 1852, and was a daughter of Solomon Swan and Betsy Carson. Henry had one child by his first wife:

Lillian Agnes, bo. Apr. 8, 1868.

By his second wife he has also had one child:

Caroline May, bo. May 4, 1877; d. Mar. 30, 1883.

Lillian married, Oct. 15, 1888, Lewis F. Welsheimer, who was born Sept. 18, 1860, a son of Daniel and Catharine Welsheimer. Her husband is a painter and lives at 207 East Jefferson St., Ft. Wayne, Ind. She has four children: Myrtle M., born Aug. 13, 1889; Frank O., born Sept. 9, 1891; Millard R., born Nov. 24, 1895; and Sidney J., born Jan. 10, 1897.

185. Ruth Amelia Barnes (183) was born in Gorham, Fulton Co., Ohio, Jan. 31, 1844. She married, Jan. 26, 1861, Charles Fairchilds Atwood, of Seneca, Lenawee Co., Mich. He was born July 28, 1832, and was a son of Lucius and Hannah Atwood. He is a carpenter and they live at 46 Henrietta St., Grand Rapids, Mich. Ruth has had seven children:

Lois Isabel, bo. May 10, 1862;
Charlora Allen, bo. May 15, 1864;
Charles Lewis, bo. June 16, 1868;

Fred Bertram, bo. June 2, 1871;
Ella Louisa, bo. June 10, 1874;
Harry Fairchild, bo. Dec. 10, 1880; d. aged three weeks;
Viola Amelia, bo. Feb. 2, 1885.

Lois married, Feb. 18, 1884, John Henry Jenkins, of Ontario, Canada, who was born Feb. 18, 1857, a son of John Henry Jenkins and Ann Cuningham. Mr. Jenkins is a wagon-maker by trade, but is now running a fruit farm at Walker, Kent Co., Mich. Lois died May 29, 1886, and Mr. Jenkins married second Sidney Lawrence of Grand Rapids, Mich. The children of Lois were: Roy Marshall, born Nov. 22, 1884, who is now living with his grandmother Jenkins in Canada; and Charley Ray, born Apr. 27, 1886, and died Nov. 5, 1886.

Charlora married, Aug. 18, 1892, Ellen D. Chamberlin, who was born Mar. 23, 1862. She was a daughter of Louis C. Colwell and Hannah Ann Vandervier. This was her second marriage. Her parents were from New York state and her brother, Philip, married Eunice Scott, a second cousin of Cornelius Van Liew.* Mr. Atwood is a policeman of Grand Rapids, Mich. His wife died Oct. 29, 1901, and he has no children.

Charles married, June 17, 1890, Alice B. Merriman. She was born June 29, 1863, a daughter of William Hadley Merriman and Jane Addis. Her parents were from England. Charles is a printer and lives in Grand Rapids, Mich. He has three children: Florence Beatrice, born Nov. 17, 1891; Nellie Louise, born Dec. 2, 1892; and Marie Antoinette, born Mar. 25, 1894.

Fred married, Sept. 18, 1895, Ellen Loretta Sherman, of Ashland, Wis. She was born June 29, 1867, a daughter of Samuel Dexter and Mary Ann Sherman. Fred is bookkeeper for Forman, Ford & Co., of Minneapolis, Minn. He has no children.

Ella married, Jan. 5, 1897, Verne L. Mershon, of Owosso, Mich., who was born Oct. 6, 1874, a son of Jason L. Mershon and Susie L. Houghtelling. He is a spindle carver by trade and in 1902 went to Cambridge, Mass., as foreman in a furniture factory there. Ella has one child, Avery Lawrence, born July 5, 1901.

Viola was living at home in 1902.

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* See page 200.

186. Susanna Adell Barnes (183) was born Nov. 15, 1845. She married, Dec. 23, 1868, James Henry Downing, who was born Oct. 17, 1845, a son of John and Sophia Downing. Mr. Downing is a farmer and he and his wife live in Ensley, Newaygo Co., Mich. Susanna has five children:

Berten Lewis, bo. Dec. 6, 1871;
James Adelbert, bo. July 31, 1873;
Lorine Arthur, bo. July 5, 1876;
Ralph Edward, bo. July 20, 1879;
Rosie Caroline, bo. July 7, 1882.

Berten married, July 3, 1900, Lydia Lucinda Britt, who was born Sept. 15, 1878, a daughter of Gaston and Effie Jane Britt. Berten is foreman in the lumber woods at Fair Bluff, Columbus Co., North Carolina. He has no children.

James was at home unmarried in 1902.

Lorine married, Mar. 6, 1901, Minnie Lynch, who was born Feb. 6, 1881, a daughter of Frank and Harriet Lynch. Lorine works in a lumber mill in Croton, Newaygo Co., Mich. He has at least one child, Darwin Adelbert, born Dec. 6, 1901.

Ralph married, Apr. 1, 1900, Mable Cooper, who was born Nov. 12, 1884, a daughter of Myron and Mary Cooper. Ralph is a farmer and lives in Ensley, Newaygo Co., Mich. He has no children.

Rosie married, Apr. 28, 1901, George Shuts, who was born Aug. 26, 1872, a son of Josiah and Laura Shuts. Mr. Shuts is a farmer and lives in Croton, Newaygo Co., Mich. Rosie has at least one boy, Forrest Henry, born Feb. 10, 1902.

187. William Banker Verity (175) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., July 20, 1819. He went to Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., in 1831 with his parents and there married, Nov. 3, 1841, Maria Louisa Adams, who was born Sept. 23, 1820, a daughter of John Adams and Hannah Birdsall. William was a blacksmith and later a farmer. He lived in Plainville, N. Y., until about 1847, then moved to St. Clair county, Mich., where he lived until 1866, when he went to Kalamazoo and lived there until his death June 28, 1872. During his residence in Michigan he held several positions of local prominence such as town supervisor and treasurer. His wife died Oct. 19, 1871. He had five children as follows:

Eunice Augusta, bo. Nov. 23, 1842;
188. James Mortimer, bo. Mar.* 8, 1848;
William Alonzo, bo. Aug. 23, 1851;
Charlora Adams, bo. Mar. 3, 1856;†
Estella Maria, bo. Oct. 29, 1860.

Eunice married, Nov. 3, 1864, Robert M. Caster, who was born Apr. 16, 1842, a son of John and Jane Caster. Mr. Caster was born in Plainville, N. Y., and when a child moved to St Clair county, Mich., where he lived until after his marriage. In 1868 he and his wife went to Kalamazoo, where they lived until 1874; they then lived in Croton until 1882, in Luther until 1890, and since that date in Fort Worth, Texas. Mr. Caster is a farmer and stockman. Mrs. Caster is an active worker in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and was district president of the 8th District of that organization in 1900. She has two children: William W., born June 23, 1866; and Clara L., born May 9, 1870.

William married, Dec. 25, 1872, Ruth Ann Dailey, who was born Feb. 26, 1851, a daughter of Milo and Rosana Dailey. William is a fruit grower and a carpenter and lives at Oshtemo, Kalamazoo Co., Mich. He has five children: Charlora Kirklin, born May 7, 1875; Leonie Louisa, born Sept. 28, 1880; Gerald Banker, born, Feb. 12, 1886; Eunice Adell, born Jan. 7, 1889; and Eva Mariah, born Aug. 12, 1890.

Charlora was born in St. Clair county, Mich. When nine years old he moved with his parents to Kalamazoo and when twenty he left home and lived for three years at Sturgis, Mich. He afterward went to Big Rapids, where he lived until 1890. He married, May 1, 1884, Eliza R. Coleman, who was born Apr. 21, 1863. In June, 1890, he went to Harriman, Tenn., and in June, 1899, he moved to Denver, Colorado, and the next year he went to Colorado Springs, where he is now living. He is a bookkeeper. He has had two children: Clarence Coleman, born July 12, 1885; and Marion Irene, born July 18, 1888, and died Oct. 2, 1890.

Estella married, Mar. 10, 1881, William Fish, who was born June 7, 1853, a son of Austin and Caroline Fish. Mr.

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* Also given as Apr.
† Also given as April 3, 1857.

Fish is a farmer and lived at Croton, Newaygo Co., Mich., from 1881 to 1883, since then he has lived at Big Rapids, Mich. Estella has seven children: Josephine Estella, born Nov. 27, 1883; Jessie Maria, born Oct. 1, 1885; Bertha May, born Oct 7, 1887; Clara Louisa, born July 20, 1889; Mary Ellen, born May 20, 1891; Austin Verity, born Nov. 18, 1893; and Mortimer William, born Feb. 11, 1895.

188. James Mortimer Verity (187) was born in St. Clair county, Mich., Mar. 8, 1848. He married first, May 29, 1869, at Oshtemo, Mich., Eldora Winchell, who was born July 6, 1851, in Warren county, N. Y. She was the eldest daughter of Charles Edward Winchell and Margaret Lord. James Verity has been a merchant and lived in Kimball and Wales, St. Clair Co., Mich., until 1865. After his first marriage he lived in Kalamazoo until 1882, then in Luther, Lake Co., Mich., until 1890, when he moved to Harriman, Tenn. In 1898, he went to Dallas, Texas, and later to St. Louis, Mo. His wife died here July 14, 1899, and he married second July 29, 1900, Mrs. Mayre Elaine Langever, who was born in Crocket, Texas, July 16, 1873. She was the daughter of Otho W. Beall and Elmira Parker. Her mother was of the family of the famous Indian chief Quanah Parker. She married first, Dec. 12, 1889, James A. Langever, from whom she was divorced in January, 1900. By her first marriage she had one son born Aug. 31, 1893. In 1902, Mr. Verity was living in St. Louis, Mo., but was about to go to Mexico to take charge of the plantation of the Laguna Chica Plantation Company, of which his son, William H. Verity, was president. He had four children by his first wife:

William Henry, bo. June 19, 1870;
Mabel Estella, bo. Nov. 2, 1876;
Florence Margaret, bo. Jan. 5, 1880;
Mortimer Edward, bo. Apr. 30, 1886.

William married, Nov. 2, 1891, Ella M. Dockey, of Big Rapids, Mich. She was born Feb. 22, 1870, a daughter of William E. and O. Amelia Dockey. William Verity lived in Harriman, Tenn., from 1890 to 1893, then at Big Rapids and Grand Rapids, Mich., for a couple of years, then from 1895 to 1898 in Chattanooga, Tenn., and then went to St. Louis, Mo. He was assignee of the Missouri Guarantee Savings and Building Asso-

ciation in 1901, and in 1902 he was president of the Laguna Chica Plantation Co., which has a tropical plantation at Tezonapa, state of Vera Cruz, Mexico. He has two children: Agnes Mabel, born Sept. 10, 1892; and Elsie Marion, born Aug. 20, 1894.

Mabel married, Apr. 14, 1897, at Harriman, Tenn., Charles E. Adair, who was born Jan. 1, 1869, in Blanchester, Ohio. He was a son of Harvey and Margaret Smith Adair. Mabel and her husband live in Harriman, Tenn. She has two children: Florence Margaret, born Jan. 13, 1898; and Helen Thelma, born Nov. 25, 1901.

Florence married, May 29, 1899, at Harriman, Tenn., Harry McL. Adams, who was born in Washington, D. C., Jan. 3, 1873. He is a son of Dr. Jesse Lee Adams and Kate Wagner. Florence and her husband live at 1337 E St., S. E., Washington, D. C. She has one son, James Lee, born Nov. 9, 1900.

Mortimer was living with his father unmarried the last known of him.

189. Mary Ann Verity (175) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Apr. 6, 1823. She went as a child with her parents to Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., in 1831. She married in Plainville, N. Y., Feb. 2, 1843, Austin W. Wilson, who was born Oct. 18, 1821, a son of Alfred Wilson and Sally Schanck. He was a farmer and lived near Plainville all his life. He died Apr. 3, 1858. Mary died June 29, 1851. Both are buried in the Plainville Cemetery. They left one son:

Mervin James, bo. May 5, 1850.

Mervin married first, in June 1871, Minnie A. Locke. She died July 15, 1872, and he married second, Mar. 23, 1880, Cornelia Harrington, who was born May 12, 1861. Mervin is a farmer and has always lived in Onondaga county, N. Y. He has one daughter by his second wife, Ada May, born Jan. 1, 1881. She married, Mar. 12, 1901, Frederick W. Cory.

190. Nancy Verity (175) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Dec. 4, 1824. When a child she went to Onondaga county with her parents and later she returned to Troy, N. Y., and learned the milliner's trade. She then went back to Plainville, Onondaga Co., N. Y., and established herself in business. She

married a young merchant of Plainville, Cornelius Van Liew, Feb. 28, 1853, but continued her business separately for a number of years. Mr. Van Liew was born in Middlesex county, N. J., Jan. 23, 1820. After a few years in Plainville they moved to Meridian, Cayuga Co., where Mr. Van Liew carried on his business many years. He died Sept. 27, 1897. He was a member of Cato Lodge, No. 141, A. F. & A. M. Mrs. Van Liew is still living (1909) in her home in Meridian, a remarkably able woman until within the last year, when she suffered a slight stroke of paralysis. She had one son:

Frederick J., bo. Apr. 28, 1859.

Fred married, Dec. 30, 1884, Hattie A. Sayles, who was born June 6, 1861. He went into a general business in Meridian, where he continued until his death, June 12, 1890. His widow is still living in Weedsport, Cayuga Co., N. Y. He had one child, Florence May, born May 19, 1887, and died July 13, 1890.

191. James Henry Verity (175) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Apr. 4, 1828. He married first in Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1851, Julina Howe, who was born Sept. 1, 1835, a daughter of Cyril Howe. After his marriage Mr. Verity went west to Iowa and finally to Minnesota. His wife died in Davenport, Iowa, Mar. 18, 1873, and he married second, Feb. 24, 1874, Martha Burnett, of Litchfield, Minn. She was born Mar. 3, 1851, and died Nov. 19, 1892, in Red Wing, Minn. Mr. Verity was living at 303 Dayton Ave., St. Paul, Minn., in 1900. He has since died. He had six children, all by his first wife:

Emerson Delavan, bo. Nov. 4, 1852;
Arton Eldon, bo. Feb. 7, 1856;
James Cyril, bo. Jan. 24, 1858, d. Oct. 25, 1858;
Clara Matilda, bo. Mar. 24, 1860; d. Jan. 16, 1861;
Charles Edwin, bo. Jan. 15, 1862;
William Egbert, bo. Dec. 2, 1866.

Emerson was born in Onondaga county, N. Y. He married, May 10, 1876, Mary J. Atchley, who was born Jan. 1, 1868, a daughter of George W. and Fannie Atchley. He is a manufacturer of furniture and at the head of the Verity Manufacturing Co. of Lake Odessa, Mich. He has two children: Goldie Vina, born Mar. 1877; and Clarence Clifton, born Nov. 11, 1878.

Arton was also born in Onondaga county and went to Michigan with his parents in 1862. In 1876 he went to Faribault, Minn., where he became assistant principal of the High School. He prepared for Michigan University in 1876, and while in the High School at Faribault he passed the examination for admission to the Senior class of the University of Minnesota, but never entered. He married, Oct. 4, 1877, Gertrude Pinkney, who was born Jan. 15, 1871, a daughter of Micajah Pinkney and Mary R. Nichols. In 1878, he moved to Fullerton, Neb., where he lived for eighteen years, then went to St. Paul, and in 1898 moved to Fairfax, Minn., where he is editor of the *Fairfax Standard*. His wife is dead. He has two children: Jennie Louise, born July 26, 1878; and Clara Mignon, born Feb. 26, 1881.

James and Clara are buried in Plainville Cemetery, N. Y.

Charles married, July 22, 1885, Nettie Watts, who was born Aug. 1, 1863, a daughter of George Watts and Harriett Dalzell. He is a traveling salesman and after his marriage lived in Harrison, Neb., until 1894; since then he has lived in Omaha. He was county judge of Sioux county, Neb., for one term, has been village clerk and treasurer of Harrison, and U. S. Circuit Court commissioner for the District of Nebraska. His children are: Frederick Van Liew, born Jan. 18, 1890; Charles Day, born July 16, 1892; Violet, born Apr. 18, 1895; and Walter Herbert, born July 28, 1897.

William was living unmarried in Minneapolis, Minn., in 1900. He was then political editor on the *Tribune*.

192. Day Otis Verity (175) was born in Lysander, Onondaga Co., N. Y., Dec. 1, 1831. He went west to Morenci, Mich., in 1854 and the next year to DeKalb Co., Ind., and in 1858 to Fulton Co., Ohio. He married, July 11, 1856, Sarah Ann Ocker, who was born May 24, 1831, a daughter of Benjamin Ocker and Elizabeth Black. After his marriage Mr. Verity went to St. Clair county, Mich., and in 1865 he went to Geneseo, Ill. In 1872 he moved to Rising City, Neb., where he lived until his death June 21,* 1896. He was a carpenter and a farmer. His widow was living in 1901 in Rising City, Neb. He had the following children:

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* Also given as July 20.

Eunice Eveline, bo. Aug. 15, 1857;
Benjamin Oliver, bo. Aug. 1, 1861.*

There were also two boys, who died in infancy.

Eunice married, Feb. 24, 1875, Clark Warden Day, who was born July 29, 1850, a son of William R. Day and Martha Gaut. Mr. Day is a hardware merchant and they have lived in Rising City, Neb., since their marriage. They have three children: Cora May, born Apr. 1, 1880; Earle Benjamin, born Sept. 20, 1882; and Grant William, born Jan. 23, 1888.

Benjamin married, Mar. 21, 1887, Caroline Augusta Julia Markuson, who was born Apr. 5, 1867, a daughter of Hans Markuson and Elizabeth Henderson. He is a farmer and a hotel-keeper and has lived in Rising City, Neb., since coming there with his father in 1872. He has two children: Day Otis, born Jan. 16, 1888, and Charles Henry, born Mar. 24, 1889.

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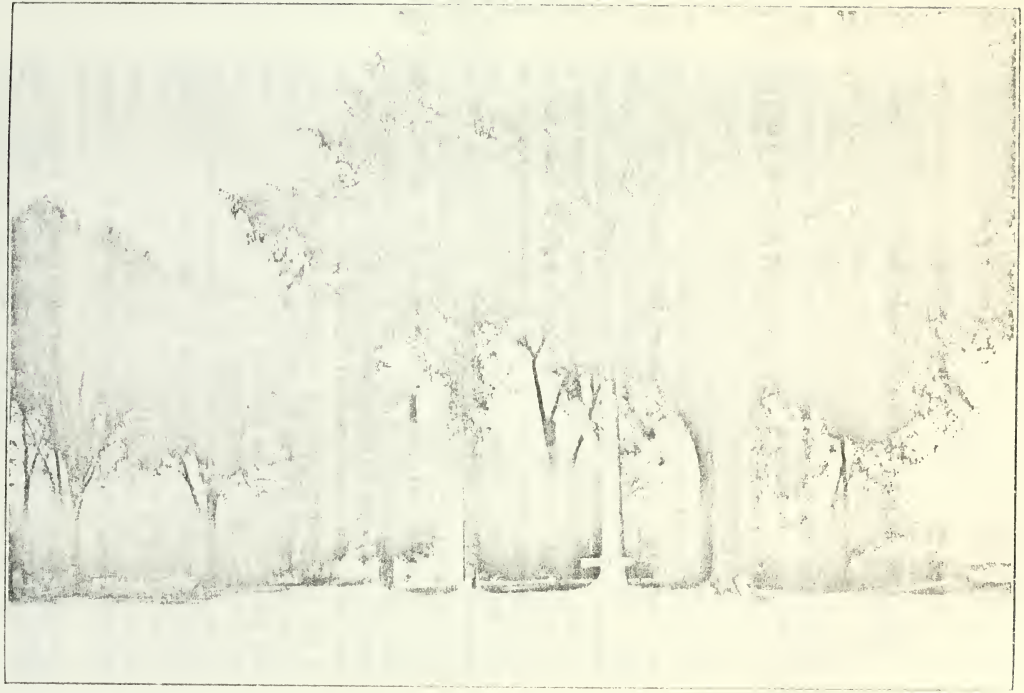
* Also given as 1859.



The Banker Home at East Schaghticoke, N. Y. Built in 1816.

CHAPTER XVI.

THE JOHN BANKER FAMILY OF SCHAGHTICOKE.

193. John Banker (131) was born Nov. 2, 1794, in Rensselaer county, N. Y., either in Pittstown or near Lansingburg. He married, Nov. 23, 1815, Nancy Bryan, who was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1794. She was a daughter of David Bryan* and Elizabeth Lounsbury. John Banker was a farmer and lived all his life in Schaghticoke. He bought and sold farms at a time when such property was increasing in value and prospered financially. He finally purchased his father-in-law's farm at what is now East Schaghticoke. This place has passed down to his descendants and has thus remained in the family over 100 years. He was for many years a justice of the peace. Under the old militia system he was cornet in the Third Regiment of Cavalry in 1819, became 2d lieutenant, and finally in 1821 received his commission as captain of a cavalry troop. Many stories are told of his skill as horseman and swordsman. People of the community who knew him have always spoken of him with respect, and the author as a boy recalls hearing men of all classes, and especially the poor whom he had often befriended, speak of his later misfortunes with real sorrow. His wife died Sept. 25, 1863, and hers was the first grave made in the Elmwood Cemetery at Schaghticoke. She was in Rochester, N. Y., on a visit at the time of her death, and on the news being conveyed to her husband he suffered a shock that seemed to affect his mind, and shortly after he had a stroke from which he never recovered. At this time, by what was believed by many to be a conspiracy, he was led into a marriage with Mrs. Ellen M. Houghtaling. His children took the matter before the courts, and while the marriage was declared legal he was adjudged incompetent to care for his property, and his son David was

* This line of Bryans traces back to Thomas Bryan of Aylesbury, England. His son Alexander was one of the company that settled Milford, Conn., in 1639. David Bryan came from the town of North East, Dutchess Co., to Schaghticoke just after the Revolution.

appointed committee for his estate. He died Sept. 13, 1869. Out of the situation grew a series of law suits that continued for over seventeen years, the Court of Appeals finally reversing previous decisions and sending the case back for re-trial. The last decision sustained the contention of the children. Both parties were now exhausted, and, although lawyers have tried once or twice to stir the matter up again, it remains to this day in *status quo*. All parties directly concerned in this case are now dead. The widow died Jan. 28, 1909, in Albany, N. Y. Mr. Banker's children were all by his first wife and were as follows:

194. Elizabeth Bryan, bo. Aug. 2, 1816;
Clarissa, bo. Oct. 12, 1818; d. Oct. 2, 1821;
Eunice, bo. Jan. 27, 1821; d. Sept. 15, 1840;
David Adolph, bo. Jan. 12, 1823;
195. Ezra Bryan, bo. Mar. 13, 1825;
196. John Wesley, bo. Nov. 21, 1827;
197. Isaac Alexander, bo. Aug. 16, 1830;
198. Amos Bryan, bo. Nov. 6, 1832;
Harriet Eunice Clarissa, bo. Apr. 25, 1840.

Clarissa was the first person buried in the Schaghticoke Hill graveyard.

Eunice attended for a time Mrs. Seward's school in Rochester, but her health failing she was forced to return home. She collected many keepsakes which she bequeathed to her little baby sister, by whom they have been religiously preserved to this day.

David, who was named after his two grandfathers, never married. He was a farmer and together with his brother Amos Bryan purchased and lived upon his father's farm, the old Bryan homestead at East Schaghticoke. Under the old militia system he received commissions as ensign and lieutenant; he was also elected captain, but the system was abolished before he received his commission. He died Jan. 27, 1903.

Harriet married, Feb. 21, 1866, David Myers, who was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 12, 1835, a son of David Myers and Catharine Baylis. At the time of his marriage Mr. Myers was in partnership with Isaac Gorham in the hardware business, but the store was burned shortly after and he took

the position of station-master at East Schaghticoke, to which in time he added a stage route, express business, and a milk business. The last three he conducted until his health failed, when they were managed by his wife until after his death, which occurred June 7, 1899. Shortly after his death his wife sold the business and for a time lived in her home in the village of Schaghticoke. She is now making her home with her nephew at the old homestead. She had one child, Addie Banker, born Nov. 21, 1866, and died of diphtheria Dec. 13, 1875.

194. Elizabeth Bryan Banker (193) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1816. She married, Jan. 15, 1851 John A. Baucus, who was born in Schaghticoke Jan. 5, 1808, a son of John Baucus* and Maria Wetsel. Mr. Baucus was a farmer and lived for a time at Clifton Park, Saratoga Co., N. Y., but most of his life was spent in Schaghticoke. He was well off, owning village property, and lands in Minnesota and Wisconsin, besides his farm just north of the village of Schaghticoke. He died June 24, 1884. Elizabeth died of pneumonia Apr. 19, 1890. She had four children:

J. Warren, bo. Dec. 17, 1851; d. Jan. 17, 1852;
Harriet Elizabeth, bo. Feb. 10, 1853; d. Apr. 14, 1853;
John Bryan, bo. Mar. 30, 1855;
Jessie, bo. July 22, 1857.

J. Bryan was educated in the common schools and at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie. He married, Dec. 18, 1878, Sarah Etta Stover, who was born July 9, 1855, in the Stover homestead. She was a daughter of Jacob Stover and Catharine Hayner. Her paternal grandmother was a sister of Maria Wetsel, so that she and her husband were second cousins. Bryan succeeded to his father's farm and continued that business, being active, however, in various town enterprises. His wife died of pneumonia Mar. 7, 1894, and he died in February, 1899. He had seven children: Ilai Maude, born Dec. 8, 1879, a professional dressmaker living in Troy, N. Y.; Edith Stover, born Aug. 26, 1881, and died Mar. 31, 1885, of spinal meningitis; Platt Bryan, born Sept. 13, 1883, after his father's death went west to Sycamore, Ill., among friends, and later had a

* See page 171.

position in Cleveland, Ohio, where he died of typhoid fever Nov. 21, 1902; John Jacob, born Aug. 31, 1885, lived with friends in Schaghticoke until the death of his brother Platt, when he went to Sycamore, Ill., where he still lives; Kate Stover, born July 11, 1887, lives with her sister Ilai in Troy, N. Y., where she is assistant fore-woman in the shops of Earl and Wilson; Raymond, born Feb. 9, 1892, and died Feb. 12, 1892; Harriet Elizabeth, born Aug. 14, 1893, and died Apr. 17, 1894.

Jessie was educated at Pittsfield, Mass. She married Franklin Harwood of Schaghticoke, N. Y., who was born Jan. 13, 1856, a son of Samuel Harwood and Catharine McNaughton. Mr. Harwood at the time of his marriage was in the insurance business, but afterwards went into the grocery business with his brother-in-law, George Carroll, in Cohoes, N. Y. Jessie died Sept. 13, 1888. Her husband married again, Oct. 8, 1901, Helen Jones, and is now living in Seattle, Washington, where he is engaged in the real estate business. He has two children by his second wife. Jessie had one child, Jessie Baucus, born Sept. 10, 1888, lived only a few hours.

195. Ezra Bryan Banker (193) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Mar. 13, 1825. He was educated in the common schools and at a private academy in Bennington, Vt. He afterward went to St. Paul, Minn., and there met and married, about 1856, Mrs. Amanda Elizabeth Richardson, *née* Harville, who was born in Wisconsin Dec. 3, 1835, a daughter of William Harville. About 1859 he returned to Schaghticoke and became a member of the Grant Fanning Mill and Cradle Co. at Grant's Hollow.* Some years later his wife and eldest sons went to Kansas and took up several homestead claims in Cloud county. She died there Jan. 5, 1880. Her body was brought the long journey back to Schaghticoke by her second son, John, who was then only nineteen years old, and she is buried in her father-in-law's lot in Elmwood Cemetery. The grave is in the southwest corner of the lot and is without a marker. Her removal east was a mistake, but at the time it was not thought that the family would go west. After the death of his wife Ezra sold out his interests at Grant's Hollow and moved to Kansas with his whole

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* See page 164.

family. He lived on his claim until 1885, when he retired from active life and lived in Concordia, Kansas, until his death Jan. 13, 1901. He had six children as follows:

William Edgar, bo. Sept. 1, 1858;
John, bo. Feb. 3, 1860;
Jessie Elizabeth, bo. June 22, 1861;
Benjamin Franklin, bo. June 21, 1866;
Jennie, bo. Jan. 27, 1868;
Burton David, bo. Feb. 7, 1874; d. Aug. 28, 1886.

William was born in St. Paul, Minn. He is married and has two daughters. In 1902 he was living in Los Angeles, Cal. He is a traveling man. Have been unable to get further information.

John was born in Schaghticoke. He worked in his father's shop at Grant's Hollow for a few years, then went to Kansas with his mother in 1879, where he has lived most of the time since. He married, Apr. 12, 1887, Mary Ellen Henninger, who was born Jan. 26, 1857, a daughter of John and Eliza A. Henninger. He is a bookkeeper and traveling salesman and is living in Concordia, Kan. He has one child, John Holland, born Dec. 27, 1889.

Jessie was born in Troy, N. Y., and went to Kansas with her father in 1880 and there married, June 21, 1883, William C. Whipp, who was born in Illinois Nov. 27, 1852, a son of M. T. Whipp and Rachel Shim. Mr. Whipp is a general business man of Concordia, Kan. Jessie died Dec. 26, 1907, of diabetes. She had three children: Edward Bryan, born Aug. 29, 1884; Harry William, born Oct. 8, 1886; and Russel Banker, born Oct. 22, 1893.

Benjamin was born in Schaghticoke and went to Kansas with his father in 1880. He is married and is in business in Jamestown, Kan. Have no further particulars.

Jennie was born in Grant's Hollow and went west with her father. She married, Jan. 23, 1887, Levi S. Myers, who was born Dec. 28, 1864, a son of John and Lucinda Myers. Mr. Myers is a merchant of Concordia, Kan. Jennie has two children: Jessie Lucinda, born Dec. 20, 1888, and Howard Banker, born Jan. 16, 1897.

Burton when a baby had his mouth and throat badly injured by accidentally drinking strong lye. When he was twelve

years old he went out with others after wild plums and got a pit lodged in his throat. The doctor being unable to remove it, pushed it down and it became fast lower down and eventually killed him.

196. John Wesley Banker (193) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Nov. 21, 1827. He went to St. Paul, Minn., when a young man and lived there several years. He returned before the war and became the first station-master for the old Troy and Boston Railroad at what is now the East Schaghticoke station. He kept his tickets in a trunk. At that time there was no telegraph. He married first, Oct. 15, 1862, Emma Turner, who was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Dec. 4, 1838, a daughter of Isaac Turner and Sarah Becker. Soon after his marriage John became a member of the firm of Baucus & Banker, manufacturers of straw paper. His wife died May 11, 1869. She had been suffering for some time from troublesome teeth and having a brother-in-law, a sister's husband, who was a dentist, Dr. Zina Cotton of Cambridge, Washington Co., N. Y., she went up there to have her teeth extracted. Chloroform had been recently introduced as an anaesthetic and she insisted on having it administered. The doctor was reluctant to do it, but yielded to her request. She never came out from its influence. Mr. Banker married second, Apr. 19, 1871, Mrs. Sarah J. Tillings, who was born June 21, 1836. She was a daughter of David Magee and married first Lorenzo Streeter, M. D., who was a widower with a family of several children. By this first husband she had one son, Lorenzo.* She married second, John Tillings and had by him one daughter, Anna, born Aug. 4, 1868.† John Banker was her third husband. Soon after his second marriage Mr. Banker became proprietor of the old Schaghticoke House, now burned, but formerly one of the ancient landmarks of the town. He ran this for some years and afterwards kept a store until he retired from business owing to failure of his sight. He is still living in Schaghticoke

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* This son Lorenzo, married Lizzie Gunner and has three children: Lorenzo, May, and Ralph Gunner.

† Anna married, Oct. 14, 1891, William Sample, who was born Sept. 4, 1868, a son of Robert Sample and Sarah Beecroft. William runs a meat market in Schaghticoke. They have two children: Ruth, born July 26, 1892; and Robert, born Aug. 1, 1894.

(1909), quite vigorous for his age and with well preserved mind, but he is nearly blind. His second wife died Feb. 2, 1900. He had children by his first wife as follows:

Jennie N., bo. July 10, 1864; d. July 20, 1864;
Charles Everett, bo. Oct. 30, 1865;
Randell T., bo. Sept. 15, 1867; d. Mar. 11, 1868.

By his second wife he had:

John Wesley, bo. Feb. 9, 1872.

Charles received his earlier education in the Schaghticoke Union School and the Troy High School. He graduated from Williams College in the class of 1893 with the degree of A. B. He then entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City for his medical course, graduating in 1896. He then spent two years in hospital practice in Paterson General Hospital, Paterson, N. J., graduating in 1898. He married, June 8, 1904, Francena Elizabeth Hanford, who was born Feb. 2, 1875, a daughter of George Fordham Hanford* and Emma Louise Whitlock.† Charles is a practicing physician at 148 West 131st St., New York City. He has one son, Robert Fordham, born Aug. 10, 1906.

John married, June 26, 1901, June Matilda Viall, who was born June 1, 1881, a daughter of Nelson Levi Viall and Lavina Ralston.‡ John is now (1909) the station-master of the Boston and Maine Railroad at East Schaghticoke, the position first held by his father. He has two children: Hazel Anna, born July 23, 1902, and Mildred Lavina, born May 5, 1905.

197. Isaac Alexander Banker (193) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Aug. 16, 1830. He was educated in the common schools and at the Greenwich Academy, Greenwich, N. Y., a school of considerable repute in that day. He read law with

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* The Hanfords are descended from the Rev. Thomas Hanford, who came to this country from England in 1643, and was for many years pastor of the Congregational Church of Norwalk, Conn., where he died Dec. 26, 1693. They also trace to the Rev. Robert Fordham, one of the founders of Hempstead, L. I., who came to this country from England in 1640.

† The Whitlocks are descended from William Whitlock of England. They also trace to Capt. Richard Olmstead, who came to this country from England in 1632, and was for many years a representative in the assembly of Connecticut.

‡ Lavina Ralston is a first cousin to John Ralston. See page. 155.

Judge Ingalls of Greenwich and was admitted to the bar. He afterward went to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he engaged as a government surveyor in laying out the wild lands of the territory. He married, Jan. 30, 1856, Martha Louisa Baucus, who was born Jan. 4, 1832, a daughter of Daniel Baucus* and Hannah Miller. Mr. Banker contracted consumption from exposure on one of his surveying trips and died June 7, 1870. He left his family in rather straitened circumstances, but with real estate holdings on which they realized well some time later. His widow is now (1909) living in St. Paul, Minn. He had three children:

Nancy Bryan, bo. Nov. 23, 1856;
Augustus Alexander, bo. May 18, 1859; d. Apr. 18, 1862;
Marion Louise, bo. Nov. 28, 1865.

Nancy was educated in the city schools and became a teacher. She married, July 3, 1883, Rev. John Edward Ingham, who was born Dec. 5, 1854, a son of Edward Ingham and Merinda Dodge Potter. Mr. Ingham is a minister of the Congregational Church. They now (1909) live in Topeka, Kan. Nannie has three children: Helen Marion, born Mar. 31, 1884; Edith Belle, born Oct. 31, 1885; and Edward Alexander, born Feb. 27, 1890.

Marion married, June 19, 1889, Dr. Asa F. Goodrich, who was born Oct. 10, 1865, a son of Augustus J. and Rachel F. Goodrich. She has no children.

198. Amos Bryan Banker (193) was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y., Nov. 6, 1832. His education was limited, being obtained in the common schools and a short time at the Greenwich Academy, Greenwich, N. Y. He supplemented this, however, by extensive reading, being especially fond of science, particularly chemistry and physics. He worked for a time in the Grant Fanning Mill and Cradle works at Grant's Hollow,† where he acquired some skill as a mechanic, which he afterwards utilized in the making of several inventions. The two most important of these were, first, a marble sawing machine intended to saw tapering monuments. The patenting of this invention was anti-

* Daniel Baucus was a brother of John A. See page 205.
† See pages 164 and 206.

cipated only a few days by another's patent involving the same principles. Another invention was a potato assorter which was patented and proved to be of practical value. He married, Sept. 10, 1856, Frances Alcena Welling, who was born Sept. 10, 1830, in Pittstown, N. Y. She was a daughter of Nathaniel Welling and Jane Tinsler. Soon after his marriage Mr. Banker with his brother David bought his father's farm at East Schaghticoke, where he continued to live until his death Jan. 10, 1887. His wife died Sept. 18, 1896. He had two children:

Alexander David, bo. Apr. 11, 1858;
Howard James, bo. Apr. 19, 1866.

Alexander was educated in the common schools and at the Hudson Vale Institute, Lansingburgh, N. Y. After working at home a few years and teaching in the district schools, he took a trip west through Minnesota and Kansas, spending about a year. He then entered an insurance office in Troy, but finding the work uncongenial he obtained a position as bookkeeper with Howe & Co., hardware dealers, where he remained a number of years. In the meantime he married, May 13, 1885, Florence E. Ogden, who was born Dec. 3, 1858, a daughter of the Rev. Isaac G. Ogden and Emeline Elizabeth Huntington. Mr. Ogden was a minister of the Presbyterian Church and had been formerly principal of the Hudson Vale Institute when Alexander was a student there. After his marriage Alexander purchased a controlling interest in the Troy File Works on Ida Hill in Troy. Later this was organized as a stock company of which he became president. He continues to hold this position and has his residence at the old homestead in East Schaghticoke. He has one son, Walter Bryan, born Sept. 11, 1889, who is now (1909) a student in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.

Howard was educated in the common schools and at Troy Conference Academy, Poultney, Vt. He graduated from Syracuse University in 1892 in the classical course. The same year he entered the ministry and was admitted to the Troy Conference on trial. He was ordained deacon and received into full connection in 1894 and ordained elder in 1896. Immediately after his graduation from college he took the department of science in his old preparatory school at Poultney, which position he held for three years, becoming vice-principal the third year.

He married at Clifton Park, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1894, Mary Eugenia Wright, who was born Feb. 17, 1865, in Ephratah, Fulton Co., N. Y., a daughter of Rev. Henry Wright* and Mary Elizabeth Shutts. Mrs. Banker is a graduate of Syracuse University in the same class as her husband. After graduation she held the position of preceptress of the High School at Cobleskill, N. Y. In 1895, Howard took charge of the Proctor Union Church, Proctor, Vt., where he remained for three years. He then entered Columbia University for post graduate work in biology and received his master's degree in 1900. The next year he took charge of the department of mathematics in Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa., but the year following took the new department of biology in the Southwestern State Normal School at California, Pa. Here he remained for three years and then took the chair of biology in De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind., where he is still located. He received his doctor's degree from Columbia in 1906. He is a member of a number of scientific societies and is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He has received both the Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Chi keys. He is the compiler of this history. He has no children. Biographical sketches of him will be found in "American Men of Science" and in "Men of America."

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* Mr. Wright was a Methodist minister and a member of the Troy Conference.

CHAPTER XVII.

THE TIMOTHY BANKER FAMILY.

199. Timothy Banker (131) was born Jan. 24, 1797, probably in Pittstown, N. Y. He married, about 1818, Mary Ann Snyder, who was born Mar. 17, 1803, in Tomhannock, N. Y., a daughter of Christopher Snyder and Catharine ———* Mr. Banker came into possession of his father's farm near Johnsonville and lived upon it until his death Jan. 12, 1878. His wife died three months later, Apr. 14, 1878. He had six children:

200. George Washington, bo. Oct. 30, 1820;
201. Maria, bo. June 15, 1822;
202. Christopher Adolphus, bo. June 25, 1824;
Timothy Snyder, bo. Oct. 22, 1826;
203. Catharine E., bo. Aug. 24, 1828;
Mary Ann, bo. Nov. 11, 1837.

Timothy became a lawyer and was district attorney for Rensselaer county at the time of his death. He was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun while hunting, Nov. 15, 1871. He left a widow, Julia A. Lord, who died in Brunswick, N. Y., Aug. 22, 1900. He had no children.

Mary married Samuel Collins. Her husband has died, but she is living. She owns property in Florida where she usually spends the winter and returns north for the summer. She has two sons, George and Timothy. George has been married twice and lives in Kansas City, Kan., where he is engaged in the insurance business.

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* I have been told that Mrs. Snyder's maiden name was Hermon, but not with certainty. After the death of her husband she married a Walbridge of Lansingburgh. She lived to be very old and got the name of a witch among some superstitious people. It was said that some one trying to churn had trouble in getting the butter. Believing it to be bewitched she heated a poker red hot and thrust it into the churn to burn the witch and it was claimed that the mark of the hot poker was found on Mrs. Walbridge. The story shows how little we are removed from the age of absurd superstition.

200. George Washington Banker (199) was born at Johnsonville, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1820. He married, June 25, 1862, Harriet Jane Comstock, who was born in Johnsonville May 18, 1827, a daughter of John Comstock and Sarah Stover. Mr. Banker was a farmer and lived for many years on the old Banker farm at Johnsonville. He was a member of the New York State Assembly in the session of 1864. He died May 26, 1882.* His widow was still living in Johnsonville in 1902. After his death the farm was sold and finally passed out of the family. He had three children as follows:

Sarah Alma, bo. Dec. 5, 1863;
George, bo. Nov. 1, 1866; d. Oct. 1, 1867;
Timothy Stover, bo. May 19, 1868.

Sarah married George Pratt, an engineer on the Greenwich and Johnsonville Railroad. She had one child, Leon, born May 1, 1892 or 1893, who lived only four and a half months. She died two days after the child was born. Her husband is still living.

Timothy married, in May, 1899, Emily Waldron and lives in Albany, N. Y. He is an engineer on the New York Central Railroad. He has one child, but I could get no further information.

201. Maria Banker (199) was born in Johnsonville, N. Y., June 15, 1822. She married Gilbert Miller, a son of Antony Miller and Nancy ———.† Mr. Miller was in the grocery business at Johnsonville. He died Apr. 10, 1873. Maria died Jan. 1, 1885. She had two children:

George Walbridge, bo. Aug. 22, 1840;‡
Mary Frances, bo. June 6, 1844.

George married, Jan. 30, 1870, Yuba Kate Chester. He is a manufacturer and lives in Buffalo, N. Y. He has two children: Bessie C., born in 1871, and Mary C., born in 1873.§ I am told that Bessie married a Mr. Appleton of Boston and had two children: George, about four years old in 1902, and Catha-

* This date was given me by his widow and is the date that is on his tombstone, but one family record gives the date June 25, 1883.

† Maiden name believed to be Ward.

‡ Date given from the sister's memory and not certain as to month and day.

§ According to one informant Apr. 3, 1872.

rine, about three years old. Mary is said to have married a Mr. Peabody of New York and has one child, Constance, aged about 7 years in 1902. I could get no further information of this family.

Mary married in Johnsonville, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1870, George Osborn Catlin, who was born in Troy, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1845, a son of Israel Ross and Frances Elizabeth Catlin. Mr. Catlin and his family live at 98 Grand St., Troy, N. Y., and he is in the asphalt roofing business. Mary has one son, Freddie, born Apr. 26, 1873.

202. Christopher Adolphus Banker (199) was born in Johnsonville, N. Y., June 25, 1824. He was a farmer and lived most of his life on a farm adjoining that of his brother George in Johnsonville. He married, Sept. 14, 1848, Cornelia Miller, who was born June 7, 1824, a daughter of Col. Anthony Miller* of Westerlo, N. Y., and Nancy Dorman of Dormansville. Christopher died about Nov. 3, 1907, at his daughter's, Mrs. Hutchison, in Saratoga Springs, N. Y. His wife died May 27, 1898. He had eight children:

Nancy Dorman, bo. Apr. 8, 1850;
Timothy A., bo. Nov. 18, 1852; drowned Aug. 18, 1863;
Eva Malissa, bo. Sept. 12, 1854; d. Aug. 17, 1855;
George Albert, bo. Sept. 12, 1856; d. Nov. 21, 1861;
Alonzo, bo. Feb. 7, 1857; d. Sept. 12, 1858;
Irving Washington, bo. May 7, 1859; d. Nov. 5, 1859;
Laura Louisa, bo. Apr. 1, 1861;
Cornelia Miller, bo. Apr. 22, 1864; d. May 8, 1868.

Nancy married, Oct. 1, 1874, Franklin P. Viall, a son of Daniel Viall† and Mary Germon‡ of Grant's Hollow, N. Y. She died Oct. 19, 1887. Her husband is still living. She had two children: Cornelia M., born Oct. 10, 1875, and Gertrude, born Oct. 10, 1887, and died July 27, 1888.

Laura married, Sept. 9, 1880, Edwin P. Hutchison, who was born May 6, 1859, a son of John Hutchison and Isabelle McDougal. Both of his parents were from Kirkcalde, in Scot-

* Col. Miller received his title in the War of 1812. Millertown near Johnsonville received its name from this family, which lived in that vicinity for many years.

† See page 164.

‡ Mary Germon was a sister of Phoebe M. Germon. See page 167.

land. They came to this country before his birth, coming in a sailing vessel and were two months making the trip. Laura is living in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., at 191½ Circular St. She has two children: Agnes Belle, born Apr. 28, 1881; and Howard Willis, born Jan. 24, 1886. Agnes married, Nov. 20, 1900, Charles Arthur Baker, who was born May 30, 1874, a son of Edward Baker and Jane All of Saratoga. Mr. Baker is an electrical engineer and they live in Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

203. Catharine E. Banker (199) was born near Johnsonville, N. Y., Aug. 24, 1828. She married, Sept. 13, 1849, Ira Gifford, who was born Oct. 14, 1827, a son of Nathan and Betsey Gifford. Mr. Gifford is a farmer and has always lived a few miles north of Johnsonville. He and his wife were both living in 1901. They have two children:

Ann Maria, bo. June 20, 1850;
Alvarette, bo. July 16, 1855.

Maria married first, Sept. 8, 1870, John Lee; second, Sept. 4 or 10, 1878, Frederick Kendrick. She lives in Troy, N. Y., and has one son by her first husband, Gifford F., born Apr. 9, 1872.

Alvarette married, Feb. 26, 1874, George H. Duel, a farmer living in Easton, Washington Co., N. Y. She has one daughter, Anna K., born Aug. 22, 1883. She and her daughter live in Mechanicville, N. Y.

CHAPTER XVIII.

THE L'AMOREAUX FAMILY.

204. Elizabeth Banker (126) was born Sept. 19, 1759,* probably near Fishkill, Dutchess Co., N. Y. According to her father's will, she and her younger sister were "put out to Christian people" to be brought up and cared for, she being then about 13 years old. She lived for a time near Hopewell, Dutchess Co., N. Y., where she had a son by Thomas Wright. Later, about 1784-1787, she married Peter L'Amoreaux, who was born July 12, 1761. After this marriage she removed to Rensselaer county, where her husband and his brother Jesse bought a farm in Pittstown, near Valley Falls. Later Peter and his wife removed to Wayne county, N. Y., and settled on a farm near Rose. He died in Galen, N. Y., Dec. 22, 1850. Elizabeth died before her husband and probably before Nov. 17, 1847, as Peter does not mention her in his will of that date, but she was living in 1841. She had one child by Thomas Wright:

Daniel, bo. Aug. 23, 1782;†

By Peter L'Amoreaux she had:

John, bo. Oct. 9, 1787;‡

205. Jesse, bo. Nov. 1, 1790;

206. Catharine, bo. Dec. 1, 1793;

Joel, bo. Jan. 15, 1797;

Elizabeth, bo. June 10, 1800;

Phoebe, bo. June 1, 1802;

Jane, bo. Mar. 24, 1806.

Daniel Wright was living in Rose, Wayne Co., N. Y., in 1845, and he is mentioned in his step-father's will, but no further trace was found of him.

John settled on a farm in Butler, Wayne Co., N. Y., where he appears to have died between June 19, 1860, and Mar. 11, 1861, leaving a widow, Martha, and the following children:

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* Also given as Sept. 12, 1760.
† Also given as Oct. 24, 1783.
‡ Also given as Nov. 9, 1789.

James, who was then living in Peekskill, N. Y.; Sarah, who had married George R. Failing and was living in Arcadia, now Newark, N. Y.; Eliza, the wife of James Persons, living in Joseo, Livingston Co., Mich.; Peter, who was living in Manchester, Washtenaw Co., Mich.; Thomas, who was living in Joseo, Mich.; Mary, who had married Albert Persons and was living in Maitland, Canada West; Joseph, who remained in Butler; and Jane, who also lived in Butler and had married Ransom Loveless. According to her father's will, Jane received her share of her father's property in trust, to have the annual interest as long as she lived, but in case she outlived her husband she was to have the principal.

Joel lived in Rose, Wayne Co., N. Y., in 1845. He is said to have married and to have had at least two children, but I have found no trace of his family.

Elizabeth married Frederick Tanner and moved west. They were living in Granville, Putnam Co., Ill., about 1850. It is said that she died near Rock City, Stephenson Co., Ill., leaving at least one son, LaFayette, and that after her death the family went to Michigan. All further trace of them is lost.

Phoebe married Daniel Silliman in Pittstown, N. Y., but soon after moved to Wayne county, N. Y., and in 1850 was living in Wolcott. She is said to have had at least one daughter, Catharine, who married Wellington Olmstead before 1847. Nothing more is known of the family.

Jane married Zachariah Esmond, a brother of Charity, who married her brother Jesse. They lived in Pittstown for a time, but finally moved to Wilton, Saratoga Co., N. Y. She died before 1847. She had at least four children; Jesse, Phoebe Jane, Catharine, and John. Phoebe appears to have married Morgan Williams and Catharine married James D. Stiles. Both were living in Wilton in 1850. Jesse and John were living in Wolcott, Wayne Co., at that date, John being under 21 years of age. No further information of the family could be obtained.

Little information could be obtained of the descendants of Peter L'Amoreaux except in the two lines of Jesse and Catharine.

205. Jesse L'Amoreaux (204) was born in Peekskill, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1790. He came to Pittstown, Rensselaer Co.,

N. Y., with his parents and there married, Nov. 21, 1817, Charity Esmond, who was born Nov. 21, 1796, a daughter of Joseph and Catharine Esmond.* He finally settled on a farm near Ballston Springs, N. Y., where he died Jan. 17, 1869. His wife died Mar. 18, 1888. He had four children as follows:

Elizabeth, bo. Aug. 5, 1819;†

Catharine, bo. Apr. 16, 1822; d. Sept. 15, 1844, unmarried.

Sarah Mariah, bo. Mar. 14, 1831; d. Jan. 24, 1847, unmarried;

Jesse S., bo. Dec. 11, 1837.

Elizabeth married, Feb. 21, 1839, Col. Calvin T. Peek, who died Jan. 14, 1879. She died Apr. 13, 1892.‡ She had two children: Ann Eliza, born Feb. 14, 1840, and Catharine Jane, born Apr. 24, 1842, and died July 2, 1845. Ann Eliza married first, Oct. 6, 1860, Fred J. Wakeman, from whom she was later divorced, and she then married, May 28, 1874, Andrew J. Hall. Fred Wakeman died July 24, 1875. By the first marriage Eliza had two children: Lelah E., born Oct. 30, 1862, and Irena A., born July 25, 1865. By the second marriage she had one child, Nellie May, born Feb. 16, 1878. Ann Eliza is now living at Ballston Springs, N. Y.

Jesse S. married, June 8, 1865, Ellen S. Holbrook. He took up the practice of law, in which he has been very successful, and was elected county judge of Saratoga county in 1882. He lives in Ballston Springs and also maintainss his practice in New York City. He has no children.

206. CATHARINE L'AMOREAUX (204) was born Dec. 1, 1793.¶ She married in Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Mastin Brundage, who was born near Tomhannock, a son of Jesse and Hannah Brundage. Mr. Brundage was a farmer and lived in Pittstown all his life. He died Apr. 30, 1857, aged 68 years, 4 mos. and 22 dys., according to his tombstone. Catharine died Mar. 22, 1872. Her grave-stone says aged 82 years, but this

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* Joseph Esmond was born Apr. 9, 1765, and his wife, Catharine, was born May 16, 1765. They had six children: Elizabeth, born Apr. 15, 1788; Thomas, born Feb. 13, 1780; Peter D., born Aug. 11, 1792; Charity, born Nov. 21, 1796; Zachariah; and Joseph M.

† Also given as June.

‡ Also given as Mar. 6, 1889.

¶ Also given as 1792.

seems to be an error. They are both buried in the Millertown graveyard near Johnsonville, N. Y. Catharine had six children as follows:

207. Hannah, bo. May 20, 1814;
209. Peter, bo. about 1816.
Mary, bo. Apr. 7, 1818;
211. Jesse, bo. Oct. 27, 1821;
212. George R., bo. Feb. 12, 1826;
Susan, bo. Mar. 28, 1830; d. Dec. 24, 1875, unmarried.

Mary married first David Brownell, a son of Reuben Brownell. After his death she married second William Henry Root, who was born Dec. 9, 1810. He died Oct. 2, 1889. Mary died Mar. 16, 1897. She had one child by her first husband, Chauncey, who died young. She had no children by her second marriage.

207. Hannah Brundage (206) was born in Pittstown, Renssalaer Co., N. Y., May 20, 1814. She married, Sept. 12, 1835, Jared Brownell, who was born Sept. 12, 1811, a son of David and Olive Brownell. Mr. Brownell was a farmer and lived in Pittstown until his death, Aug. 9, 1892. Hannah died Aug. 14, 1876. She had three children as follows:

David J., bo. July 19, 1837;
Mastin, bo. Feb. 1, 1840;
208. George Merritt, bo. Feb. 25, 1842.

David J. enlisted near the close of the Civil War and served in Co. C, 169th Reg't, N. Y. Vol. Inf. He married Mary Coonradt. They afterward separated. He was living in Pittstown in 1901. He had two children: George A., born Mar. 9, 1874; and Lettie, who married a Peabody and is said to live near Cooksborough, N. Y.

Mastin married, Feb. 5, 1863, Delia L. Ingraham, who was born Sept. 11, 1837. He is a farmer and lives near Millertown, N. Y. He has one daughter, Dorlisca Eliza, who was born Mar. 29, 1865. She married, May 20, 1889, Albert De Long, who was born May 25, 1862, a son of Cornelius and Jane De Long. They have had six children: Marion, born, Feb. 17, 1890, and died July 21, 1890; Roland, born Oct. 13, 1891; Agnes May, born Nov. 19, 1892; Ramond, born Sept. 14, 1895; Mabel G., born May 22, 1897, and died Sept. 30, 1897; and Georgia Winifred, born May 16, 1899.

208. George Merritt Brownell (207) was born in Pittstown, N. Y., Feb., 25, 1842. He married, Dec. 24, 1868, Mary Caroline De Long, who was born Apr. 20, 1853, a daughter of Peter De Long and Catharine Carpenter. Mr. Brownell was a boss on a coal chute and lived in Green Island at the time of his death, Mar. 21, 1902. His wife was still living in 1903. He had children as follows:

David Chauncey, bo. Nov. 1, 1869;
Nevia Matilda, bo. Oct. 6, 1872; d. Nov. 21, 1872;
Nettie Elizabeth, bo. Apr. 15, 1874; d. Aug. 27, 1875;
Charlotta Marandia, bo. Aug. 5, 1877.

David married, June 8, 1895, Ella Viola Jock, a daughter of Frank Jock and Caroline Oathout. He has had three children as follows: Carrie Marie, born June 8, 1897; Ethel May, born Jan. 18, 1899, and died in September, 1899; and Roy Boardman, born Oct. 29, 1900.

Charlotta married, Oct. 20, 1894, Walter Kendrick Bailey, who was born May 18, 1875, a son of Webster Bailey and Clarissy Warner. Mr. Bailey is a brakeman on the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.'s Railroad, and they lived on Green Island in 1902. She has had two children: Charles Leroy, born Nov. 12, 1900, and died Jan. 13, 1901; and Mary Considine, born Mar. 12, 1902.

209. Peter Brundage (206) was born in Pittstown, N. Y., about 1816. He was a farmer and married Minerva Burtis. He lived in Pittstown until his death, Feb. 15, 1883, aged 67 years, according to his grave-stone. His wife died Sept. 15, 1882, aged 65 years, according to her gravestone. He had four children as follows:

Chauncey P., bo. May 8, 1844; d. Sept. 3, 1846;
208. Chandler G., bo. —— —, 1845;
Amy Alice, bo. Oct. 8, 1857; d. Aug. 30, 1858;
Mary C., bo —— —, 1859.

Mary married, Jan. 12, 1875, George Norton Brundage. She died July 10, 1877, leaving no issue. Her husband married again and now lives near Johnsonville, N. Y.

210. Chandler G. Brundage (209) was born, according to his gravestone, in 1845, in Pittstown, N. Y. He married Julia Etta Van Leuvan, a daughter of John and Catharine Van Leu-

van. He lived in Pittstown until his death, Oct. 2, 1894. He is buried in Millertown. His wife was living in Jackson City, Mich., in 1901. He had five children as follows:

Harry Peter, bo. July 7, 1872;
Jane, bo. June 24, 1875;
Irving, bo. Nov. 13, 1878;
Lottie Minerva, bo. June 22, 1880;
Elizabeth May, bo. Aug 2, 1883.

Harry married, in September, 1893, Ida Day, a daughter of Ambrose Day. He died May 7, 1895, and his widow afterward married Ezra Defreest and now lives in Lansingburgh, N. Y. He had one child who died young.

Jane married, Feb. 8, 1893, Eugene G. Warren, who was born Jan 8, 1869, a son of Richard Warren and Caroline Brundage,* hence her second cousin. They are both living in Pittstown near Johnsonville. They have two children: Lottie May, born July 18, 1898; and Maud Leila, born June 22, 1901.

Elizabeth married, Oct. 8, 1900, August Hilsinger, a conductor on a trolley line in Jackson City, Mich.

211. Jesse Brundage (206) was born Oct. 27, 1821, in Pittstown, N. Y. He married, Jan. 16, 1850, Mary A. Brown, who was born Mar. 9, 1824, in Grafton, N. Y. He was a farmer and lived most of his life in what is known as Old Schaghticoke.

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* Caroline Brundage was a daughter of Jesse Brundage, the brother of Mastin (see page 219). She was born Sept. 3, 1825, and married, Mar. 27, 1845, Richard Warren. She had a remarkably large family for these degenerate days, numbering fifteen, of whom only two were girls. She was living near Johnsonville in 1901 and when visited by the author was found to be a vigorous, active woman with a remarkably clear memory. As her family is connected in several ways with the lines I am tracing I give her family record in full. Her husband died May 4, 1888. Her children were:

Hattie M., bo. Mar. 28, 1846; m. Smith Herrick, May 21, 1879;
Charles D., bo. Oct. 3, 1848; m. Rose Crane, Dec. 23, 1891;
Jesse, B., bo. Mar. 29, 1850; m. Lillian E. Rowland, Aug. 12, 1889;
George H., bo. Aug. 31, 1851; m. Alice M. Brundage, May 10, 1877;
Richard F., bo. July 23, 1853; m. Ida M. McConkey, Dec. 7, 1883;
Willis H., bo. Oct. 31, 1855; m. Maggie J. Ray, Dec. 20, 1881;
John A., bo. Oct. 18, 1857; m. Jennie Brownell, Feb. 26, 1880;
Lewis F., bo. May 16, 1859; m. Mary M. Smith, Nov. 19, 1884;
Calvin D., bo. May 31, 1860; d. Jan. 9, 1861;
Edward S., bo. Dec. 24, 1861; m. Mary F. Brundage;
Estella C., bo. July 25, 1863; d. Jan. 14, 1865;
Wilson B., bo. Oct. 30, 1865; m. Carrie F. Blow, Feb. 10, 1892;
Eugene G., bo. Jan. 8, 1869; m. Jane Brundage, Feb. 8, 1893;
Arthur H., bo. Mar. 29, 1870; d. July 16, 1888;
Paul C., bo. June 28, 1872; d. Aug. 9, 1872.

His wife died Jan. 2, 1901, after which he went to live with his daughter, Mrs. Cook. He had three children as follows:

Sarah C., bo. Apr. 29, 1854;
Masten E., bo. May 10, 1857; d. Oct. 21, 1859;
Aletta E., bo. Sept. 10, 1864; d. June 29, 1882.

Sarah married, Jan. 24, 1877, Elisha W. Cook, of Johnsonville. He was born Oct. 8, 1836, and was a son of Elisha and Mary Cook. He is a section foreman of the Greenwich and Johnsonville Railroad, and lives at Summit, Washington Co., N. Y. Sarah has five children: Frank H., born Dec. 22, 1877; Blanch A., born July 22, 1880; Bertha Mae, born Mar. 1, 1884; Effie E., born May 11, 1886; and Chester L., born July 25, 1891.

212. George R. Brundage (206) was born in Pittstown, N. Y., Feb. 12, 1826. He married first, Sept. 25, 1857, Eliza Ann Overocker,* who was born Feb. 16, 1836, a daughter of John Overocker. She died Mar. 17, 1867, and he married second, Mar. 17, 1870, Mary Van Leuvan, who was born Jan. 23, 1850, a daughter of Gilbert Van Leuvan. George was a farmer and lived in Pittstown until his death, June 3, 1900. His widow was still living in 1901. He had by his first wife five children as follows:

Georgiana, bo. Oct. 29, 1858; d. Nov. 13, 1858;†
George H., bo. Oct. 11, 1859;
Mabel Alice, bo. Sept. 26, 1861;
Charles W., bo. June 12, 1863;
Mary Frances, bo. July 1, 1864.

By his second wife he had four children:

James Gilbert, bo. Apr. 30, 1872; d. Dec. 17, 1875;
Harvey, bo. June 9, 1874;
Jesse Masten, bo. Aug 17, 1878;
Grace, bo. Mar. 6, 1885.

George married, July 5, 1884, Charlotte A. Bush, who was born Sept. 28, 1866, in Ulster county, a daughter of Alexander Bush and Margaret Depew. He lives in Valley Falls, N. Y. He has six children: Oscar, born July 15, 1886; Perry, born Feb. 1, 1888; a pair of twins, Louis and Arthur, born Jan 4.

* Her name is sometimes given as Eliza A. Webster, but she only lived with the Websters.

† According to the gravestone, Nov. 12, 1857, aged 15 days.

1892; Frank Phillips, born May 4, 1893; and Margaret May, born Apr. 15, 1895.

Alice married, May 10, 1877, George H. Warren, her second cousin, who was born Aug. 31, 1851, a son of Richard Warren and Caroline Brundage.* Mr. Warren is a farmer and lives near Johnsonville, N. Y. Mabel has had four children: Burton W., born Oct. 7, 1877, and died in February, 1899; George B., born Aug. 16, 1883; Jay B., born Jan. 8, 1885; and Charles, born Sept. 3, 1886.

Charles married, Jan. 28, 1880, Mary Somes, who was born Dec. 26, 1861, a daughter of Sylvester Somes and Lydia Ellis. He is a machinist and lives in Schuylerville, Saratoga Co. N. Y. He has had five children: Eva, born Dec. 6, 1881, and died May 12, 1889; Lydia Jane, born Apr. 2, 1884, and died May 17, 1889; Anna Eliza, born Oct. 22, 1887; Frank Albert, born July 23, 1890; Everett, born Oct. 15, 1893.

Mary married Edward S. Warren, her second cousin, who was born Dec. 24, 1861, a son of Richard Warren and Caroline Brundage.* They live at Beaver Falls, N. Y. Mary has had four children: Frederick L., born June 3, 1881; Reuben B., born Aug. 16, 1886; Willis, born Dec. 12, 1889; and Georgiana, died when five or six years old.

Harvey is a machinist and was living unmarried with his half-brother Charles in 1902.

Jesse was at home with his mother.

Grace married when only sixteen, but soon separated from her husband.

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* See footnote on page 222.

CHAPTER XIX.

THE JACOB BANCKER FAMILY.

213. Jacob Bancker (1) lived at Philipsburg, but no record of his baptism was found. He was sponsor on several occasions at the baptism of grandchildren of Laurens Bancker, and members of Laurens's family were frequently sponsors at the baptism of his children. It seems entirely probable, therefore, that he was a son of Laurens, but in what order his name should be placed can only be guessed by the date of his marriage, which would indicate that he was not the youngest. He married, Mar. 15, 1723-4, Rachel Montros, who was born in 1704, a daughter of Herman and Grietje Montros. His wife was living as late as 1739. It is not known when Jacob died. He had at least five children as follows:

Johannis, bp. Sept. 5. 1724; probably died young;
Jacobus, bp. June 24. 1727;
214. Petrus, bp. Apr. 11, 1730;
Johannis, bp. Oct. 15. 1732;
Aaltje, bp. Oct. 22, 1734.

The lines of descent from these children are somewhat uncertain. I am disposed to think that two of the boys, presumably Jacob and John, had each a son named Peter, that one of these Peters married Martha Maby in the Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1788, and became the father of Jeremiah Banker.* and that the other Peter was the one described here as No. 218. My reasons for this view are wholly circumstantial and are based on a variety of considerations that would hardly be profitable to discuss since it must be admitted finally that my view is only a well-considered guess.

214. Peter Bancker† (213) was baptized at Sleepy Hollow, Apr. 11. 1730. He seems to have married Effie Boeckhout,

* See page 331.

† A Peter and a Jacob Bancker enlisted in Capt. Jacob Teller's Company of Col. Wm. Willet's Reg't of Militia, the North Battalion of the county of Westchester in 1760. It seems probable that they were Peter and his brother Jacob.

who had a brother Abraham. She was, therefore, undoubtedly the daughter of Matthias Boeckhout and was born Sept. 3, 1739.* Peter died before February, 1786. At this date his widow was living in New York and is described as insane. He had children at least:

215. Jacob;
John;
Abraham, bo. Dec. 5, 1756;
Isaak, bp. Apr. 25, 1758.

Nothing more is known of John, Abraham, and Isaac except that John was a farmer in Cortlandt Manor in 1786.

215. Jacob Banker (214) was the eldest son of Peter Bancker above and must have been born about 1750 to 1752. I, therefore, identify him with a Jacob Banker who at one time lived in Carmel, N. Y., and who is said to have been born in Westchester county and to have been the son of a Peter Banker. As the latter Jacob had a son born in 1779 and probably an older son it seems likely that he was the Jacob indicated above. At least we know of no other to whom he can be referred. He was still living in 1814, but nothing further is known of him. He had seven children as follows:

Jacob, died about 1814 over 21 years old;
216. Jonathan Austin, bo. Sept. 9, 1779;
Isaac;
Hiram S.;
217. Job Austin, bo. Apr. 27, 1798;
Ann;
Margaret.

Isaac, whose wife's name was Hannah, died at the age of 93 years in Burdett, Schuyler Co., N. Y., where he had a son James M., living in 1903. Nothing further could be learned of the family.

Hiram died without issue in Montours Falls, Schuyler Co., N. Y., His wife's name was Jane.

Ann married Ralph Smith and was living in Lodi, Seneca Co., in 1903.

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* See page 49.

Margaret married a Bailey and was living in Plymouth, Marshall Co., Ind., in 1903.

Nothing further could be learned of these.

216. Jonathan Austin Banker (215) was born in Carmel, Putnam Co., N. Y., Sept. 9, 1779. He was a farmer and lived for a time at Hector, Schuyler Co,. N. Y., then removed to Dix, Oneida Co., and finally returned to Montours Falls, Schuyler Co., where he died Nov. 22, 1870. He married, July 31, 1825, Sarah Pierce, who was born Dec. 21, 1801, and died May 27, 1846. He had the two following children:

Isaac, bo. Sept. 2, 1826;
Martin Bailey, bo. Apr. 4, 1841.

Isaac lives in Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada.

Martin is a farmer and was living at Moreland, Schuyler Co., N. Y., in 1903. He married, Apr. 3, 1861, Fanny J. Rau, a daughter of Daniel and Jane Rau. She was born Oct. 6, 1842. They have four children: Charles S., born Dec. 3, 1864; Daniel, born Apr. 3, 1873; Benjamin P., born June 1, 1880; and Fred Payne, born Mar. 13, 1888. Charles graduated from Oberlin College in 1892. He is married and lives in Pittsburg, Pa. Nothing further is known of the others.

217. Job Austin Banker (215) was born Apr. 27, 1798, probably in Putnam county, N. Y. He settled in Ovid, Seneca Co., before 1820 and became a farmer and a miller. He was married three times. It is not known who his first wife was. His second wife was Margaret Smith, who was born June 5, 1803, and died Nov 2, 1840. He then married, about 1842, Mary Ann Ketcham, who was born Dec. 16, 1814, and died in April, 1873. Her mother was Sarah Shaw, but her father's given name is not known. Job A. died at Ovid, N. Y., Apr. 19, 1858. He had fourteen children. By his first wife he had:

Lockard.

By his second wife he had:

Peter S., bo. Aug. 21, 1829;
Hannah, bo. Mar. 14, 1831;
James, bo. Apr. 1, 1833; d. Dec. 9, 1844;
Jane, bo. Sept. 15, 1834;
Archelaus, bo. Aug. 19, 1836;

Margaret, bo. Nov. 27, 1838;
Ann Eliza, bo. Nov. 2, 1840.

By his third wife he had:

Austin, bo. June 28, 1843;
Albert, bo. May 1, 1845;
John DeMotte, bo. Mar. 23, 1847;
Alice, bo. Feb. 23, 1849; d. Dec. 21, 1889;
Sarah F., bo. May 15, 1851;
Mary Ella, bo. June 2, 1853; d. June 30, 1877, unmar.

Lockard is dead, but no particulars are known about him.

Peter married Therisa ——— and was living in Ovid, N. Y., in 1903.

Hannah married George W. Jones, and Jane married Lewis Jones. Both live in Ovid.

Archelaus married Susan ———. He died in 1901. He seems to have had one daughter, Clara, who died before 1903, at which date his widow was still living.

Margaret's name is given as "Margaret B. Jones-Purdy."

Ann married an Everts and lives in Burdett, Schuyler Co., N. Y.

Austin married Anna ——— and was living in Hastings, Neb., the last known of him in 1895.

Albert was living in Ovid in 1903, but no particulars are known of him.

John D. has always lived in Ovid, N. Y., where he is engaged in fruit growing. He married, Feb. 1, 1871, Elizabeth Belinda Losey, who was born Sept. 29, 1851, a daughter of William B. Losey and Clarinda Smith. He has four children: Edith W., born July 24, 1875; Charles L., born Mar. 5, 1878; Abbie L., born May 4, 1881; and Helen J., born Oct. 13, 1892.

Alice appears to have married a Covert as she is called Alice Covert in 1873. Nothing further is known of her.

Sarah married L. P. Lewis and lives in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

213. Peter Banker ( ) lived in the vicinity of Philipsburg, but it is difficult to decide with certainty whose son he was. It seems to me that he was undoubtedly a grandson of 213 Jacob, but which of the latter's sons was his father I cannot decide. Still I must admit that this is only a guess. The following, however, appear to be clearly ascertained facts concerning him.

He lived all his life near Philipsburg, where he purchased a farm of 149 acres for $223.50 from the Commissioners of Forfeitures, Apr. 20, 1782. This farm was a part of the estate of Roger Morris and wife, which was confiscated by the state of New York under act of attainder of October, 1779. Banker's farm was in "Lot No. 5 of Philipse Patent."* Peter died in April or May, 1812. In his will he mentions his wife Patty, a son Benajah whom he appoints as executor, and "small children" not named. He speaks of himself as Peter, Sr. S. W. Phoenix in his history of the "Whitney Family of Connecticut," informs us that his wife's name was Patty Wright and that they had a son Peter. From these and other sources it appears then that he had at least five children as follows:

Benajah;
219. Peter, bo. Sept. 25, 1794;
Levi;
John;
224. Esle, bo. Feb. 14, 1801.

Benajah, who must have been the eldest of the family seems to have married someone by the name of Charlotte and to have moved to Auburn, N. Y., where he owned property from 1830 to 1836. No further trace of him was found.

Levi went "west," but no further trace of him was found except possibly the fact that an Ebenezer and a Levi Banker sold property in Owasco, near Auburn, N. Y., in 1833 may indicate that these were brothers of Benajah.

John married Ann Williams, who died about 1877. He kept a shop for many years in Washington Market, New York City. He had at least seven children: William Henry Harrison, who married Rose ——— and kept a stall in Washington Mar-

* Henry Livingston says of this lot in 1819: "The northern part of this Lot and that which lies in the town of Kent is mountainous and rocky. Some of the valleys are excellent meadows and where the soil can be come at is good. But these estimable portions bear but a small proportion to the more rugged parts. The southern division of this tract and which is in the town of Carmel is hilly but cannot be deemed mountainous. Here extensive and excellent meadows everywhere meet the eye and tillage is well attended to. The soil, however, is generally stony, very little wheat is grown on this lot. Rye forms the bread of a very large majority. Their exports are rye, Indian corn, buckwheat, beef, pork, butter, and cheese. The whole of this lot is well watered by ponds and small streams. The buildings on this lot are generally below mediocrity. Many, however, are comfortable. The day for elegance has not arrived."

ket* until his death; Hezekiah; Levi; John; Sarah Jane, who married a Ham; Martha Ann, who married a Dickson; and Evelyn, who married George Owens. All of these are dead and nothing further was learned concerning their families.

219. Peter Banker† (218) was born at Carmel, N. Y., Sept. 25, 1794. He married at Yorktown, N. Y., Jan. 13, 1819, Anna Whitney, who was born at Yorktown, Apr. 5, 1793, a daughter of Abijah Whitney and Melicent Hyatt. She was a descendant from Henry Whitney, who was born in England about 1620. Peter was a farmer and he settled at Putnam Valley, N. Y., where his wife died Apr. 26, 1876. His will was admitted to probate Nov. 9, 1885. He had six children as follows:

220. Lewis, bo. Mar. 23, 1820;
Amanda, bo. Feb. 25, 1823;
221. John Ferguson, bo. Apr. 6, 1825;
Melicent Ann, bo. Jan. 22, 1828;
222. Harrison, bo. Jan. 4, 1832;
223. Gilbert Whitney, bo. Sept. 16, 1837.

Amanda married Gould Dorsey Tompkins, a son of Nathaniel Tompkins and Mary Cole. Her husband was a farmer and they lived at Putnam Valley. He is dead, but Amanda was living in 1902. She had one child, Theodore, who is married and lives in Danbury, Conn.

Melicent never married and was living with her sister Amanda in Putnam Valley in 1900.

220. Lewis Banker (219) was born at Yorktown, N. Y., Mar. 23, 1820. He married Martha Austin, a daughter of Robert Austin and Betsy Downs. He was a carpenter and settled in Newark, N. J., where he died Aug. 24, 1853. His wife died July 3, 1876. Both are buried in Shrub Oak Cemetery at Yorktown. He had four children as follows:

Elizabeth Ann, bo. Aug. 18, 1841;
Orlando, bo. Dec. —, 1843;
Peter, bo. Aug. 30, 1845; d. before Aug. 12, 1879;
Edward, bo. in 1847.

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* It is still conducted by his widow, Rose Banker.

† The greater part of the record of Peter's posterity is taken from the "Whitney Family of Connecticut," by S. W. Phoenix.

Elizabeth married Isaac Rundle. She lived all her life in Putnam Valley, N. Y., and died there Dec. 2, 1872.

Orlando was living unmarried in Putnam Valley in 1873, as was also Edward. Nothing further has been learned of these.

221. John Ferguson Banker (219) was born at Yorktown, N. Y., Apr. 6, 1825. He married at Newark, N. J., June 1, 1852, Mary Ann Levy, who was born Oct. 1, 1833, in Orange, N. J., a daughter of Mitchell Levy and Caroline Hayne. John was a carpenter and joiner and lived at Peekskill for a time. He died in New York Mar. 20, 1903. He had six children:

Henrietta, bo. Apr. 18, 1855; d. Apr. 26, 1899, unmar.;
Alice, bo. Dec. 22, 1856; d. Apr. 11, 1857;
Frederick, bo. May 19, 1858;
Josephine, bo. Mar. 30, 1861; d. Mar. 25, 1862;
Caroline, bo. Nov. 18, 1863;
Edith, bo. Sept. 22, 1869.

Frederick is married, but no particulars were learned.

Nothing was learned concerning Caroline.

Edith was unmarried and living with her parents in New York in 1900.

222. Harrison Banker (219) was born at Yorktown, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1832. He married at Pleasantville, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1857, Mary Ann Knapp, who was born June 4, 1831, at Carmel, N. Y., a daughter of Stephen Knapp and Eliza Crane. Harrison was a carpenter and lived at Putnam Valley. He died in May or June, 1866, but his wife was living in 1907 in Peekskill, N. Y. He had three children as follows:

Stephen Knapp, bo. Mar. 12, 1860;
Andrus, bo. Mar. 14, 1863;
Irene, bo. Apr. 11, 1866.

Stephen married Hattie Blackmore. He worked for the American Express Co. of New York. He is dead, but his widow is living at 628 E. 138th St., New York. He had three children: Arthur, Flossy, and Ethel. Arthur is unmarried and lives with his mother. He works in the Grand Central Depot. Flossy married Oliver Bryan, a stenographer at 851 E. 162nd St., New York.

Andrus married, Dec. 9, 1896, Adeline Mead Lyon, who was born May 21, 1862, a daughter of Jabez H. Lyon and Emily Jackson Dusenbury. He is a teamster and lives in Peekskill, N. Y., at 1244 Academy St. He has one child, Ida May, born July 23, 1900.

Irene married first James Brown and second William Griffin. The latter is in the ice business and lives in Peekskill. Irene had two children by her first husband, Effie and William. By her second husband she had one child, Mabel. William married Rachel Dossett and is a delivery man in Peekskill. He has one child, Harold Wakely.

223. Gilbert Whitney Banker (219) was born in Yorktown, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1837. He married at Garrisons, N. Y., Oct. 15, 1861, Phoebe Eliza Wright, who was born May 6, 1840, at Upper Highlands, Philipstown, N. Y., a daughter of William Wright and Catharine Lobdell. He was an accountant and lived in New York City, where he died Jan. 29, 1884. His wife died Jan. 30, 1898. He had two children:

William A., bo. May 11, 1863;
George Everett, bo. May 26, 1867.

William was living in Peekskill in 1900, but nothing further is known of him.

George married, Sept. 26, 1887, Louisa G. Reilly, who was born Oct. 7, 1870, a daughter of John and Louisa G. Reilly. He was a clerk and lived at 497 East 138th Street, New York City, where he died very suddenly, Dec. 12, 1908. His wife announced the death of a neighbor who lived up stairs in the same house, and the shock caused his death. He had three children: Albert Joseph, born May 6, 1888; Lauretta Evelyn, born Jan. 8, 1892; and Edgar, born May 2, 1896, and died the same day.

224. Esle Banker (218) was born in Putnam county, N. Y., Feb. 14, 1801. He married, Nov. 20, 1820, Hester Marshall, who was born Nov. 1, 1802, and died Aug. 9, 1864. He then married Lucy Ann ——— and they separated by mutual consent Oct. 10, 1866. Later he married Amanda ———, who survived him. He was a farmer and lived near Peekskill, N. Y., where he died May 3, 1888. He had children as follows:

Daniel, bo. Sept. 16, 1821;
Hannah, bo. Sept. 1, 1824;

225. Edmund, bo. June 22, 1827;
Alfred, bo. Mar. 3, 1830;
Hester M., bo. Oct. 28, 1832;
Mary, bo. Sept. 14, 1835;
Lewis, bo. Apr. 11, 1838;
Malissa, bo. Mar. 2, 1841;
Sarah Jane, bo. Sept. 3, 1843.

Daniel married a Sutton. He was a laborer and lived in Peekskill, where he died Mar. 27, 1883. He had two children, George and Theodore. Both are married and live in Peekskill, but no particulars could be learned of them.

Hannah married Charles Betts. He was a moulder and lived in Peekskill. Both are dead. Hannah died Feb. 29, 1864. She had three children: Charles, Eugene, and William. It is thought that none of these are married. William went to New Jersey. Nothing could be learned of the others.

Alfred married and traveled with a show of some sort. He died of consumption at Shrub Oak, Putnam Co., N. Y., June 10, 1861. He had no children.

Hester married a Conklin. She died Jan. 14, 1856, without issue.

Mary also married a man by the name of Conklin, a farmer. She is said to be living in Yorktown. A letter addressed to her there was returned by the postmaster.

Lewis is unmarried and lives in Carmel, N. Y., where he is a teamster.

Malissa married John Forman, a laborer, and lives in Peekskill. She has several children, one of whom is Abijah. Nothing further was learned of her family.

Sarah married Cal. Brown. He is dead and she lives in Yonkers. She has several children, but nothing further could be learned of her.

225. Edmund Banker (224) was born near Peekskill, N. Y., June 22, 1827. He married, July 2, 1848, Augusta M. Wilson, who was born in Putnam county, Aug. 2, 1831. He was a farmer, but in 1907 was living retired in Peekskill. His wife died July 19, 1891. He had children as follows:

226. Charles E., bo. June 1, 1849;
227. Lyman W., bo. Aug. 17, 1854;

228. Edmund, bo. Dec. 6, 1856;
Alfred S., bo. Jan. 21, 1865.

Alfred married, Sept. 30, 1886, Cora Miller, who was born Aug. 15, 1871, a daughter of William T. Miller and Rosanna Lent. He is in the grocery business in Peekskill. He has two children: Beulah, born Sept. 13, 1887; and Arthur E., born Sept. 7, 1891.

226. Charles E. Banker (225) was born in Putnam county, N. Y., June 1, 1849. He married Anna Boyce, a daughter of Lyman Boyce. He is a carpenter and lives in Peekskill, N. Y. He has six children as follows:

Ida;
Fred;
Cora;
Gertrude;
Charles;
Alfred.

Ida married Sandford Miller, a boat-captain on the steamboat Raleigh, plying between New York City and Haverstraw. They live at Nyack. She has three children; Sidney, Lillian, and Sadie.

Cora married Valentine Vogt. He is a moulder and lives in Peekskill. They have two or three children. No further particulars could be obtained of Charles's family.

227. Lyman W. Banker (225) was born near Peekskill, N. Y., Aug. 17, 1854. He married Lillian Quick, a daughter of William Quick. He was a laborer and died Mar. 29, 1886. He had five children:

Herbert;
William;
Franklin;
Edmund;
Jennie.

Herbert married Fannie Lasher He is a local expressman in Peekskill and has six children. Nothing further learned of him.

William married Mary Dugan. He works for the American Express in Peekskill. He has one girl.

Franklin and Edmund are unmarried. The former is a plumber in Greenwich, Conn., and the latter is a farmer near Peekskill.

Jennie married George Bradley, a stove-mounter in Peekskill. They have three children.

228. Edmund Banker (225) was born near Peekskill, N. Y., Dec. 6, 1856. He married, Dec. 12, 1877, Lizzie Orrison, who was born Feb. 14, 1859, a daughter of John and Phoebe Orrison. He is a groceryman in the firm of Banker and Oakley and lives at 217 South Division St., Peekskill. He has three children:

Lenora, bo. Apr. 9, 1879;
Augusta, bo. Dec. 10, 1884;
Golda, bo. Jan. 6, 1897.

Nora married Harry Chase. Both are dead. They had one child, Helen, now living with her grandfather.

Augusta married Lawrence Kniffen, who is in the milk business in Peekskill. She has one child, Ersell.

Golda is unmarried and lives at home.

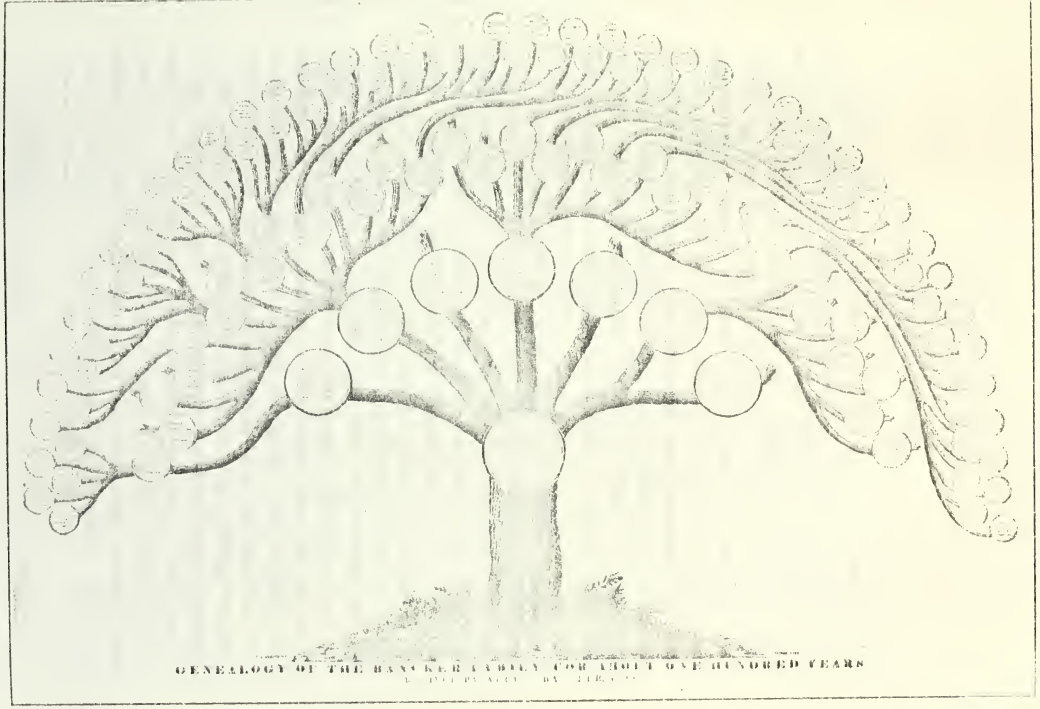
PART II.

PREFACE.

In the first part of this work have been given the history and records of those believed to be undoubtedly the descendants of Laurens Bancker. This second part contains the records and history of Gerrit Bancker and his descendants so far as they have come into the author's hands.

Undoubtedly much more material could be gathered concerning this family with a little systematic effort, but the writer has naturally been chiefly interested in recovering the records of the Laurens Bancker family. In this work, however, so much material was constantly falling into his hands pertaining to the Gerrit Bancker family that he seriously contemplated making a thorough search sometime with a view of completing the records of this family. With this purpose in mind, all material that chanced in his way was carefully preserved and, with the genealogist's enthusiasm, many clews were followed up more or less extensively. When the necessity of abandoning the more exhaustive plan was forced upon him it seemed best to publish in the present work such material as had been accumulated. It may be of some value to the members of the family.

During the publication of this genealogy several members of the family have shown so much interest and have so generously co-operated to make the work a success that it has given the writer a keen feeling of regret that he has not felt able to pursue his investigations further. He can only add that whatever material may be intrusted to him hereafter will be carefully edited and preserved and eventually deposited where it may be accessible to some future historian of the family.



GENEALOGY OF THE BANCKER FAMILY FOR ABOUT ONE HUNDRED YEARS

CHAPTER XX.

GERRIT BANCKER.

300. GERRIT BANCKER was the emigrant ancestor of a large and important family of Banckers or Bankers in this country. He was born in Holland, but nothing positive is known of him until his arrival in New Amsterdam. In 1698 there was a William Bancker living in Amsterdam, Holland, who, Pearson asserts, was a brother of Gerrit. It seems to be certain, however, that this was his son.* According to Pearson, Gerrit arrived in this country before 1655 and two years after that date he was living in Beverwyck, now Albany, where he became an Indian trader and merchant. He resided here the rest of his life and had his home on the south side of what is now State Street, a little east of Pearl.

He married, Apr. 10, 1658, Elizabeth Dirkse Van Eps, a daughter of Dirk Van Eps and Maritie Damiens. Valentine relates an incident which he says occurred at their wedding.† The event was a notable incident in the life of the wilderness town of Albany and the guests gathered from miles around for a scene of great festivity. One unfortunate youth named Cryn Cornelison was conveying a large double sleigh load of guests across the Hudson on the ice, when the ice gave way and the whole party were immersed in the river. The girls were rescued by the gallant exertions of the young men, but the horses were carried under the ice and drowned. The young people were in a very serious condition when they reached the place of the wedding. According to Valentine, this wedding occurred in the spring of 1643. This seems improbable when compared with the dates of the births of their children. The date of marriage which I have given above is from the "Bancker Genealogy" by Adrian Bancker. If Elizabeth was seventy years old at the time of her death, as Valentine states, she would

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* See page 242.
† See Manual of the Common Council of New York for 1855.

have been about twenty in 1643 and about thirty-four in 1658. Under the social conditions that prevailed in the new colony, neither maidens nor widows remained long in a single state. This is a conspicuous fact. It seems to me, therefore, possible that Elizabeth was married twice, the second time to Gerrit Bancker, and that Valentine has confused the two events. Moreover he calls her "Elizabeth Van Es (Van Ness), a daughter of Cornelius Hendricksen Van Es." I do not know his authority for his statements, but in the Albany County Records is to be found a minute which states that there came before the commissaries of Albany "the honorable Cornelis Van Nes and Margaret Damen, last widow of Hendrick Andriesse, deceased, now his wife dwelling here in Albany, who declare that they have appointed and fully empowered by these presents, Lysbet Dirckse Van Eps, daughter of said Maritie Damen, and wife of Gerrit Bancker, proposing to return to Holland," to transact certain business for them. This confirms Pearson's account which states that Maritie Damen married first Dirck Van Eps and by him had two children, Jan Dirckse Van Eps, one of the first settlers of Schenectady, and Lysbet, who married Gerrit Bancker. Maritie married second Hendrick Andriesse Van Doesburgh, by whom she had a daughter, Jannetie, who married Martin Cregier, Jr.; finally she married Cornelius Van Nes. Maritie Damen was undoubtedly well off. She owned a house and lands in Niskayuna and also real estate in Albany. In the document above quoted from she empowers her daughter to collect in Holland a loan of 3,500 guilders with accrued interest and to reinvest the same at the *comptoir general* in Holland.

Gerrit Bancker was very prosperous as a merchant in Albany and accumulated considerable property both personal and real. He owned a house and lot in Esopus in 1664, where he seems to have lived for a time, as the court records state that he had left the village, and his house was rented for taxes by the court. He was one of the fifteen original proprietors of Schenectady in 1662, and besides owning farm lands had for his village lot the "northerly quarter of the block bounded by Washington, Union, Church, and State Streets," as the city is now laid out. He probably never lived here and his son Evert finally sold the

property in 1702 to Isaac Swits. From 1657 to 1684 his name appears frequently in conveyances and other business transactions that show him to have been an active, enterprising man. He died between Nov. 25, 1690, and May 7, 1691.* According to his will his wife was made heir of all his property "whether situated in Albany, in Schenectady, in New York, in England, in Holland, or at Sea." This would imply that he had considerable property widely scattered.

Elizabeth, his wife, was evidently a highly capable woman, as would appear from the power of attorney given her by her mother and her second step-father. The journey which she seems to have taken back to Holland in 1668 was by no means a summer recreation at that day. A curious item is to be found in the Fort Orange records for August 25, 1660. A complaint is recorded against "Hendrick Andriessen for assault and battery on Lysbet, wife of Gerrit Bancker." Hendrick was undoubtedly her first step-father. After her husband's death she removed to New York and set up in business. She died soon after, on July 3, 1693, leaving a large amount of property, which went chiefly to her son, Evert. The inventory of her property shows that she owned real estate in Schenectady, Albany, Catskill, and New York; while her personal property consisted of a large amount of store goods, a share in a brigantine, a large quantity of furs of considerable variety, a negro boy, Toby, several belts of wampum, a number of pieces of silver plate, five gold rings, two of which were set with stones, several bibles and a number of religious books.

The children of Gerrit and Elizabeth, so far as can be determined, were as follows:†

'William, bo. Feb. 23, 1661;

301. Evert, bo. Feb. 24, 1663;

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* Pearson says before Feb. 27.

† The dates here recorded are as given in the "Bancker Genealogy," by Adrian Bancker in 1838. The date of Evert's birth is given by his own son, Adrian, as Jan. 24, 1665. (See page 278.) As the latter date is from a record written by one so intimately related to Evert and is nearly a hundred years older than the "Bancker Genealogy," and as the latter is known to contain a number of errors, we may rightfully assume that the date, Jan. 24, 1665, is more nearly correct for Evert's birth. As we have no other record that I know of for the dates of the other children, for the sake of consistency I have followed the "Bancker Genealogy" throughout the list.

Richard, bo. Dec. 23, 1666;
359. Anna, bo. Apr. 1, 1670;
Maria, bo. Apr. 1, 1675;
Gerardus, bo. Aug. 1, 1677;
John, bo. Sept. 3, 1682.

William married Isabelle Winterswijk, of Amsterdam, Holland. He appears to have been living in Holland in 1700.* According to the "Bancker Genealogy" he had at least one daughter, Catharine, born Feb. 5, 1693. She married Peter Vandermater and had five children: Peter, born Aug. 10, 1711, and married Judith Holthuyzer; Clasiena, born Feb. 13, 1715, and married Peter Jaggar; William, born March 2, 1717, and died without issue; Jacob; born Dec. 17, 1723; and Adriana Margaretta, born Aug. 18, 1726, and married P. Van Den. The family was traced no further. They possibly lived in Holland.

Richard is said to have died without issue. He was living in New York City as late as 1692, but no further trace of him was found.

Maria married, Sept. 20, 1694, Cornelius De Peyster, who was born in New York and baptized Oct. 4, 1673. He was the youngest son of Johannes De Peyster and Cornelia Lubberts, and hence a brother of Johannes De Peyster, who married Maria's sister Anna.† Maria died sometime after Feb., 1710, and Cornelius married, July 21, 1711, Cornelia Dishington, by whom he is said to have had five daughters, one of whom was Catharine, bapt. Jan. 23, 1712. Maria had seven children as follows: Cornelia, born July 10, 1695; John, born May 30, 1697; Elizabeth, born Nov. 5, 1699; Maria, born Nov. 12, 1701; Maria, born Apr. 3, 1704; Anna, born Apr. 6, 1707; and Catharine, born Feb. 12, 1710. All of these children died in infancy.

Gerardus, also called Gerrit, died intestate in 1702, and his brother, Evert, was appointed administrator of his estate. He appears to have had no issue.

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* Pearson speaks of this William Bancker in Amsterdam as a brother of Gerrit, but in the correspondence relative to the call of Domine Barnardus Freeman to the church at Albany it appears that he was a brother of Evert. The call was actually given through William Bancker of Amsterdam, and in one of the papers appears this sentence, "Our fellow brother, Evert Bancker, has shown us certain writings of his brother Bancker of Amsterdam." This seems to prove that William Bancker of Amsterdam was the son of Gerrit and not his brother.

† See page 297.

John was living in New York as late as 1717. He is said to have died without issue.

A Sibilla Bancker is mentioned as a sponsor of one of Evert's children in 1700. It is difficult to conceive who she was unless she was a sister of Evert. If the name is intended for Isabella she may have been the wife of William, but at this date William was in Holland.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE EVERT BANCKER FAMILY.

301. Evert Bancker (300) was born in Albany, N. Y., Jan. 24, 1665.* He married, Sept. 24, 1686, Elizabeth Abeel, who was born Mar. 23, 1671, a daughter of Stoffel Janse Abeel.† Evert inherited most of his father's property as well as his mother's. He lived in Albany nearly all his life. He was a merchant, Indian trader, and a man of affairs like his father. He held many positions of prominence and influence. As an Indian trader and merchant he became thoroughly acquainted with both the Indians and the country. As early as 1685 we find him obtaining a pass for himself and comrade to Canada with a request to the Canadian officers to allow them to pass and repass. In 1692 he furnished part of the supplies for the Fusileers, in King William's War. The same year he was made justice of the peace. In 1695 he was appointed mayor of Albany by the Common Council, being the third incumbent of that office. Soon after this in company with Domine Godfrey Dellius, pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church at Albany, and others, Indian commissioners, he obtained from Col. Fletcher, the governor of the province, an extraordinary grant of land. The grant bore date July 30, 1697, and was for a tract of land on the Mohawk River beginning at a place called Owehdiere and extending up the river some fifty miles to a place called Arach Schone‡ and was to be four miles wide, two miles on each side of the river. For this immense tract they were to pay a reserved rent of one beaver skin a year for seven years and after that five beaver skins yearly forever after. Governor Fletcher made several

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* Also given as Feb. 24, 1663. See page 241, footnote.

† According to Pearson, Stoffel Janse Abeel was a master carpenter and was living in Beverwyck (Albany) in 1653. He was born about 1623 and married Neeltie Janse Croon. He made his will Dec. 4, 1670, in which he mentions the following children: Magdalena, aged 17, and already married; Maria, aged fourteen; Johannes, aged eleven; and Elizabeth.

‡ In the petition the boundaries are given as "on the Skenectady river, two miles on every side from a place called Orakkie to another place called Onnawadage."

other similar extravagant land grants. In fact, the whole matter of land grants had fallen into great abuse. In 1699, the Assembly passed an Act annulling several of these extravagant grants including the one above mentioned.

In 1696, Evert was appointed one of the commissioners of Indian Affairs and held the office at various times until his death. His reports concerning the condition of the Indians will be found in New York Colonial Documents Vol. 4. As an Indian trader this position was of great pecuniary advantage to him. He was elected representative from Albany in the ninth Colonial Assembly and served from Oct. 20, 1702, to Nov. 6, 1704. He was appointed a master of the colonial Court of Chancery in 1705. In 1707, he was elected alderman from the first ward of Albany, but immediately after was appointed mayor of the city by Lord Cornbury, this being his second appointment to that office. In 1711 he was one of the managers of the expedition against Canada in Queen Anne's War. His reports and correspondence in connection with this expedition are to be found among the Albany manuscripts. In 1723 or 1726 he was resident commissioner among the Seneca Indians and in 1724 or 1727 he was commandant of the fort at Oswego with the commission of captain.

Evert was also a prominent member of the Dutch Reformed Church. He was a deacon in 1693 and again in 1700. In 1703 he was one of those mentioned as furnishing materials or labor for the "domine's house."

Near the end of his life he retired to his farm in Guilderland, where he died. He was buried in Albany July 10, 1734. His wife was buried Mar. 20, 1734. He made his will Mar. 30, 1734, leaving his property to his children and giving to his son Johannes £50 "provided he continues to live with me till my decease or till I dispose of my farm where I now live." He had thirteen children as follows:

Gerardus, bo. Feb. 11, 1688; died young;
Neeltie, bo. Mar. 1, 1689; d. Sept. 23, 1712;
Gerardus, bo. June 12, 1691; d. Nov. 1, 1705;
302. Elizabeth, bo. July 29, 1693;
304. Christoffel, bo. Oct. 27, 1695;
Anna, bo. Oct. 3, 1697; d. Oct. 2, 1706;

326. Willem, bo. Oct. 28, 1699;
Jannetie, bo. Aug. 28, 1701;
335. Adrianus, bo. Oct. 10, 1703;
343. Gerardus, bo. Apr. 1, 1706;
Anna, bo. June 12, 1708; d. May 30, 1709;
Johannes, bo. Mar. 15, 1710; d. Apr. 30, 1710;
346. Johannes, bo. Feb. 20, 1712.

Jannetie married in Albany, Dec. 1, 1722, Hermanus Schuyler, a son of David Schuyler and Elsie Rutgers. They removed to New York City, where he was admitted freeman in 1728. Jannetie had seven children as follows: a girl who died before she was baptized; David, bapt. Feb. 7, 1725, and married Ann Hooglandt; Evert, bapt. Aug. 28, 1726, and died without issue; a pair of twins, bapt. Sept. 25, 1728, Hermanus, who married Eve Vredenburgh and Elizabeth, who married first Aaron King and second Isaac Perdon; Christoffel, bapt. Oct. 14, 1730; and Elsie, bapt. Aug. 22, 1736, and married Reynier Skates. The first two of Jannetie's children were baptized in Albany, the rest in New York. This family was not traced further, although it would probably not be difficult to obtain much more material.

302. Elizabeth Bancker (301) was born in Albany July 29, 1693. She married, Oct. 27, 1715, Gerrit Lansing, a son of Johannes Gerrit Lansing and Geertje Van Schaick. Gerrit was buried Jan. 26, 1736. Elizabeth had five children as follows:

Neeltje, bp. Nov. 4, 1716; died young;
Neeltje, bp. Apr. 11, 1718;
303. Geertruy, bp. Dec. 26, 1719;
Johannes, bp. Oct. 9, 1724;
Johannes, bp. Apr. 24, 1726.

Neeltje married Tobias Stoutenburgh and had a family.
Johannes married Sarah Solmatier and had a family.

303. Geertruy Lansing (302) was baptized in Albany Dec. 26, 1719. She married Lucas Witbeck, who was born Feb. 26, 1724, a son of Thomas Witbeck. She had seven children:

Elizabeth, bp. Nov. 16, 1746; died young;
Elizabeth, bp. Jan. 24, 1748;
Gerrit, Thomas, } bp. Mar. 18, 1750;

Abraham, bp. Feb. 11, 1753;
Samuel;
Johannes, bp. Feb. 5, 1760.

Nothing further was found of Elizabeth, Thomas, or Abraham.

Gerrit married, May 29, 1774, Immetje Perry and had at least three children: John Perry, born Mar. 10, 1775; Lucas, born June 23, 1778; and Antje, born Jan. 28, 1781. The family was traced no further.

Samuel appears to have married Rebecca Buys or Buis and had at least two children: Geertruy, born Apr. 22, 1778; and Christina, born Mar. 22, 1780.

Johannes is thought to have married Lena Van Den Bergh and had at least one child, Geertruy, born Nov. 19, 1786.

The descendants of Elizabeth Bancker have been traced no further.

304. CHRISTOPHER BANCKER (301) was born in Albany, N. Y., Oct. 27, 1695. He removed to New York City and there married, Oct. 16, 1719, Elizabeth Hooglandt, a daughter of Adrian Hooglandt* and Anna Byvanck. He was a merchant and a man of considerable prominence. He was a candidate for the office of alderman from the North Ward in 1737, and although elected, his opponent, Johannes Burger, demanded a scrutiny of the election. The following item from the New York Gazette of Aug. 21, 1738, is of interest: "Last Saturday night three negro men got a canoe to go into the country and be merry with some others on Sunday, and going through Hell Gate they were sucked into the Pot or Whirlpool, the canoe drawn in and Alderman Banker's negro (The Fiddler) drowned, the other two saved themselves by swimming to the shore." He held the office of alderman continuously until 1742 and was again elected in 1755. In 1739, he and Hendrick Rutgers† with others were owners of the Privateer Stephen and Elizabeth. In 1755 and 1756, he was one of the commissioners of fortifications in New York. He made his will Feb. 22, 1752, in which he mentions his

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* Lieut. Adrian Hooglandt was a son of Dirk Cornellisen Hooglandt and Elizabeth de Rapalje.

† See page 305.

son Evert as the eldest and four others: Adrian, Richard, Christopher, and William. Christopher, however, died about a year before his father. The will was probated May 26, 1763.

Christopher's father-in-law, Lieut Adrian Hooglandt, was one of the patentees of Kayaderosseras Patent in what is now Saratoga county. This was an immense tract of about seven hundred thousand acres, the original title to which was obtained by misrepresentation. Nearly sixty years after, the heirs of the original proprietors were constrained to relinquish a part of their claim to the Mohawk Indians and to pay an indemnity in order to secure a clear title to the remainder. The two patentee rights of Adrian and Joris Hooglandt were divided between the three families of Bancker, Renaudet, and Rutgers. After Christopher's death the Bancker portion was again divided, Nov. 22, 1771, to the four brothers: Evert, Adrian, Richard, and William, sons of Christopher. Christopher and his wife also inherited from her father a large interest in the Wawayanda Patent in Orange county. Christopher had at least nine children as follows:

Adrian, bo. June 28, 1720; died young;
305. Evert, bo. May 29, 1721;
309. Adriaan, bo. July 25, 1724;
Christoffel, bo. Feb. 3, 1726; d. June 22, 1727;
Dirk (Richard), bo. July 15, 1728;
Elizabeth, bo. Oct. 9, 1730; d. Aug. 31, 1731;
Christoffel, bo. June 6, 1732;
Anna, bo. Oct. 27, 1734; d. without issue;
325. Willem, bo. Jan. 8, 1736.

Richard married Sara Duyckinck. He was a merchant of New York City and together with John Thurman in 1756 owned two or more armed sloops, the Blakeney and the Wheel of Fortune. He was buried Apr. 19, 1775, and his wife was buried Mar. 3, 1785. He seems to have had only one child, Elizabeth, bapt. Feb. 8, 1758. Nothing further is known of her.

Christopher married Anna Richardson.* He was a merchant of New York and made his will Jan. 20, 1756. It was probated Jan. 27, 1762. He appears to have left no children. After

* One writer says that she was the daughter of John Leake of the Hermitage, N. Y.

his death his widow married, Sept. 17, 1764, Robert Leake, commissary-general of the British forces in North America.

Clute in his "History of Staten Island" says that Adrian had a brother Gerard, also living on the island. I have found no other reference to a Gerard in this family, and as Christopher does not mention such a son in his will I doubt if Clute is correct.

305. EVERT BANCKER (304) was born in New York May 29, 1721, and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church June 4. He married, Apr. 14, 1747, Elizabeth Boelen, a daughter of Abraham Boelen and Elizabeth De Peyster.* Hence Evert and his wife were second cousins. He was a merchant and man of affairs in New York City and had his dwelling in Wall Street. It is said to have been near where the Bank of America now stands. During the Revolution, owing to the scarcity of lead in the colonies, 423 pounds of sash leads were removed from his house by order of the Convention for public use.

Evert does not appear to have attained to any prominence until after the death of his father, but about that time we find him associated in a mercantile business with Gerard Bancker,† probably his cousin. From 1769 until the opening of the Revolution the firm of Evert and Gerard Bancker, merchants, furnished a large part of the supplies and necessaries for his Majesty's troops and much of the time held the position of barrack-masters for New York City. With the beginning of the Revolution, Evert comes into greater prominence. He was chosen one of the Committee of One Hundred which was organized by the People of New York Colony, May 1, 1775, as a Provisional War Committee or Committee of Resistance. This was the response of New York to the news of Lexington.

Evert was elected a deputy to the second, third, and fourth Provincial Congresses of New York, that is, to all but the first. His first election to the second Congress occurred Feb. 20, 1776, at a special election held to fill vacancies, so that he did not take his place in the Congress until near its close. The Provincial Congress was the Revolutionary Assembly of the Colony, succeeding in authority the Colonial Assembly. The fourth Congress reorganized the colony under a new constitution, and New

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* See page 298.
† See page 281.

York became a State of the Union. The fourth Provincial Congress, which adjourned May 13, 1777, was succeeded under the new constitution by the state Assembly. Evert was immediately elected member of the new Assembly. He served continuously throughout the first eleven sessions of this body with the exception of the seventh and eighth sessions, or from Sept. 1, 1777, to March 29, 1788. He was speaker of the Assembly from the third to the sixth sessions inclusive, that is, from Aug. 18, 1779, to Mar. 23, 1783. His service as a legislator and speaker of the Assembly thus practically covered the whole period of the Revolution. He was one of a special committee of twelve appointed by the Committee of Safety for the State of New York Oct. 14, 1776. This committee was to co-operate with Major-general Schuyler in repelling the enemy from the northern and western frontiers of the state. The committee was active and held a number of important meetings, but Evert appears to have been present only at the first, Oct. 24, 1776. He was also a member of the second Council of Safety which held its sessions from Oct. 8, 1777, to Jan. 7, 1778, and for this latter service of ninety-five days he received £95.

After the close of the war he seems to have lived a retired life. He sold off at various times his interests in the Kayadarosseras Patent, and finally conveyed his remaining claims to his son Abraham B. Bancker, of Kingston, N. Y., Nov. 5, 1800. Evert died in Kingston, probably at the home of his son, Jan. 13, 1803. His grave is beside his son's and very near the southwest corner of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church as it now stands. His wife died and was buried in New York City Apr. 2, 1789. I have found trace of only three children:

Elizabeth, bp. Feb. 22, 1749;

306. Christoffel, bp. Jan. 6, 1751;

308. Abraham Boelen, bp. Sept. 25, 1754.

Elizabeth perhaps married Col. Marinus Willet, as his first wife and died without issue.*

306. Christopher Bancker (305) was born in New York City and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Jan. 6, 1751. He married, Sept. 3, 1771, Maria Smith, apparently in

* See page 252.

the First or Second Presbyterian Church. He was a merchant and man of affairs, and seems to have lived in the West Ward of the city. He died and was buried, Nov. 29, 1803, in the Dutch Church graveyard. His wife was living at the time of his death. He had eleven children:

Elizabeth, bp. Feb. 28, 1773;
307. Margrita, Maria, } bp. Sept. 18, 1774; twins;
Richard, bo. Oct. 11, 1780;
Ann Genet, bo. June 8, 1784;
Jennet Livingston, bo. Apr. 28, 1786;
Arrietta, bp. Apr. 11, 1789;
Evert, bp. July 17, 1790;
Sarah Sophia, bo. May 9, 1792;
John S.;
William.

It is probable that Ann, Jennet, Evert, and Sarah died before 1803, as they are not mentioned in their father's will.

Elizabeth married, Feb. 21, 1797, Robert Saunders. She had at least three children: Robert Bancker, born Mar. 29, 1798; Marinus Willet, born Mar. 9, 1800; and Margaret, who was living unmarried in 1849.

Maria never married. She made her will Sept. 6, 1849, and it was probated May 8, 1851.

Richard was not baptized until Jan. 20, 1784, undoubtedly owing to the disturbed conditions incident to the Revolution. He married Ann Montanye Oct. 27, 1799. Nothing further was learned of his family.

Arietta never married and probably lived with her sister Maria. She and her sister made their wills on the same day. Arietta's was probated Dec. 22, 1866.

John is mentioned in his father's will in 1803 as having a family. He probably should be placed before Richard. Nothing further is known of him.

William is also mentioned in his father's will and it is expressly stated that he is the youngest son. Nothing more is known of him.

307. Margaret Bancker (306) was born in New York City and baptized in the Reformed Dutch Church Sept. 18, 1774.

She married Col. Marinus Willet probably as his second wife, as his son Edward states that his father married first a daughter of Evert Bancker, and, therefore, probably Margaret's aunt, Elizabeth.* Col. Willet was born at Jamaica, Long Island, July 31, 1740. His father was Edward Willet, a farmer. He took part in the French War and accompanied Abercrombie as a lieutenant in 1758 and was engaged in the battle of Ticonderoga. He sided with the colonists in the Revolution and was active from the very beginning. He was one of the most efficient officers of the Americans in that struggle. The details of his military career will be found in a work written by his son.† After the war he was sent by Washington to treat with the Creek Indians, in which undertaking he was very successful. He was later appointed a brigadier-general to lead an expedition against the Indians of the Northwest. This position he declined, as he was not in sympathy with the coercive policy which had been adopted. He was elected member of the Assembly in 1784, but within a month was appointed sheriff of New York and again held the office in 1791. He was elected mayor of the city in 1807. In 1824, he was chosen a presidential elector and was president of the Electoral College. He died Aug. 23, 1830. I do not know the date of his wife's death, but she was living in 1846; nor do I know whether any of his children were by his first wife. I assume them all to have been by the second. They were as follows:

Marinus;
William M. ;
Edward M., bo. 1805;
Elbert;
Margaret.

Marinus was a physician and lived in East Broadway, where he died in 1840.

William became a Methodist minister and had at least one daughter, Mary.

Edward was living in New York City as late as 1888. He had at least two children, Clemence S. and Margaret.

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* See page 250.

† "A narrative of the Military Actions of Colonel Marinus Willet taken chiefly from his own manuscript. Prepared by his son, William M. Willet. 1831."

Margaret married James H. Ray and had two children, Margaret W. and Catharine A.

The descendants of Col. Willet were not traced further.

308. Abraham Boelen Bancker (305) was born in New York and baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Sept. 25, 1754. He married in Kingston, N. Y., Ariantje Mantius or Mancius, probably soon after Sept. 20, 1778, as on that date the banns were published. Ariantje, or as the name appears in later generations, Arietta, was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of Kingston July 26, 1752. She was the daughter of the Rev. Georgius Wilhelmus Mantius, pastor of the church, and Cornelia Kierstede. Abraham doubtless accompanied his father to Kingston during the troubles of the Revolution and afterward made it his home. He took active part in the Revolution. At the beginning of the war he was third lieutenant of the Rangers in the 1st Battalion of New York under Col. Lasher, and was one of the seventeen officers who voted that that organization should serve the cause of the colonies as a battalion. Later he was a lieutenant in the 1st Reg't of the Line under Col. Goose Van Schaick. He was commissary of prisoners from 1777 to 1779. After the war he became clerk of the Senate, which position he held from Feb. 18, 1784, to Apr. 5, 1802. He was also secretary of the Convention called to ratify the Federal Constitution in 1788. He died very suddenly, Feb. 7, 1806, and is buried beside his father in the Kingston church-yard. His grave-stone says: "Short was his summons to Eternity. The morning sun shone unclouded on his prospects and health animated each feature. Evening came; but—the animating spirit had fled." He had four children:

Evert, bp. Aug. 3, 1779; died young;
George William, bp. Aug. 12, 1781;
Evert, bp. Nov. 16, 1783;
Elizabet Boelen, bp. Mar. 16, 1786; d. Sept. 9, 1788.

No further trace of this family was made.

309. Adriaan Bancker (304) was born in New York July 25, 1724, and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church on the 29th. He married, Nov. 7, 1753, Anna Boelen, a daughter of Abraham Boelen and Elizabeth De Peyster, hence his second

cousin and a sister of his brother Evert's wife, Elizabeth.* He removed to Staten Island, where he became prominent in public affairs and took an active part in the events of the Revolution. He held the office of supervisor for the town of Westfield in 1772 to 1773. He was elected deputy from Richmond county to the second Provincial Congress which met Nov. 14, 1775, to May 13, 1776. He was also elected member of the Assembly in 1784. He was made surrogate of Richmond county, Mar. 13, 1787, and held the office until his death Sept. 29, 1792,† when he was succeeded by his son Abraham. He seems to have owned a place in Wall Street, New York, as late as 1776. In that year 569 lbs. of sash leads were taken from this house by order of the Convention for public use, chiefly to make bullets. He sold a large part of his interest in the Kayadarosseras Patent in 1789. Further interests in this Patent appear to have been sold by his executor in 1796, but a considerable portion went to his heirs. About the time of his death he was the owner of five slaves. In his will, made Aug. 7, 1792, he mentions only his sons; Christopher, Abraham, and Adrian, and his daughter, Anna Elizabeth. It is probable that the others were dead at this time. His wife was buried in New York June 15, 1790. The portraits of Adrian and his wife went into the possession of his son Abraham and were by him willed to his sister, Anna Elizabeth. They are believed to be now in the possession of Dr. DeGroot of Mendham, N. J. Adrian had eight children as follows:

Christoffel, bp. Sept. 25, 1754; died young;
Elizabet, bp. June 15, 1757; died young;
Abraham, bp. May 15, 1760;
Christoffel, bp. Feb. 16, 1763;
Elizabet, bp. Nov. 9, 1764; probably died young;
Anna, bp. Aug. 3, 1766; probably died young;
310. Adrian, bp. Sept. 2, 1770;
Anna Elizabeth, bp. Sept. 20, 1772.

Abraham lived nearly all his life on Staten Island, where he became quite prominent in public affairs. He is said to have

* See pages 249 and 298.

† The record of his burial appears in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York as above, but in the Record of Wills of Richmond county, Mr. Hubbard informs me, his signature is under an entry dated Sept. 6, 1792, and immediately under it is this entry, "Adrian Bancker died Sept. 30, 1792, and was succeeded by his son Abraham."

been educated at King's, now Columbia College. He was county clerk of Richmond county from Feb. 11, 1781, to Feb. 4, 1784; he then became sheriff and held the office until 1788. He was a member of the first Board of Regents and was one of the twenty-four citizen members named in the act. He was elected member of Assembly for the twelfth and thirteenth sessions Dec. 11, 1788, to Apr. 6, 1790. He was also a member of the state convention to ratify the Federal Constitution in 1788. He succeeded his father as surrogate of Richmond county in 1792 and held the office until May 30, 1809. He was one of the presidential electors in 1804, his vote being cast for Thomas Jefferson, who was elected for his second term. At this time the electors were appointed by the state legislature. He appears to have never married. His will, made June 19, 1822, in Morris county, N. J., was probated Feb. 6, 1832. In this instrument he provides for the division of the remaining family interests in the Kayadarosseras Patent between his sister Anna Elizabeth and the heirs of his brother Adrian. The further relation of the family with this Patent has not been traced. A number of Abraham's personal letters commenting on the events of his day have been published in the *Magazine of the Daughters of the Revolution*. It is related that "he was a spy in the Revolutionary War and that Washington gave him an elegant sword, jeweled and inlaid with gold and silver, which was left by will to Abraham Bancker, whose wife had it cut up into carving knives."

Christopher seems to have been living in 1792, but he is not mentioned in his brother Abraham's will in 1822 nor are any of his family, though the families of both Adrian and Anna Elizabeth are mentioned in full. This suggests that he was dead and that he had no issue.

Anna Elizabeth married Peter DeGroot and had at least ten children: Ann, who married a Dickerson (or Dickman), Peter, Robert, Eliza, John, William, Catharine Jane, Margaret W., Alfred, and Abraham B. The family has been traced no further, but a Dr. DeGroot, supposed to be a descendant of Anna, is said to live in Mendham, N. J.

310. Adrian Bancker* (309) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York Sept. 2, 1770. He married Elizabeth Decker and died before 1822. He was a large land owner in Staten Island. He had eleven children as follows:

Adrian;
311. Abraham;
313. Martha Jane, bo. 1794;
317. Arrietta, bo. Mar. 10, 1796;
322. John;
James;
William Beekman;
Ann;
Maria;
Louisa;
323. Eliza.

Adrian married Julia Holtz and had at least two children: Elizabeth, born about 1838 and married a Van Doelsen, an architect; and Abraham, who married and had at least one child, Louisa, who married Walter F. Barnes and had two daughters.

James and William have been traced no further.

Ann married a Barron, but nothing further is known of her.

Maria married Hugh Miller. She died about 1850 and her husband then married her sister Arietta.† Maria had a large family as follows: Adrian, James, Abraham, Hugh, Catharine Elizabeth, Maria, Theresa and her twin sister, Julia, and Rachel. Abraham married Mary Conger. Catharine married Wen Trafton. Maria married James Wright and after her death her husband married her sister, Rachel. Theresa married William E. Hicks. Julia died young.

Louisa married Ashley Hillyer, but was traced no further.

311. Abraham Bancker (310) married, Feb. 12, 1822,‡ Elizabeth Lyons. He was a captain of harbor-vessels in New York. He had thirteen children as follows:

Adrian, died without issue;
Elizabeth;

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* For a large part of the records of the descendants of this Adrian Bancker I am indebted to Mr. Charles Hubbard, of Wyncote, Pa.

† See page 260.

‡ Also given as 1812.

Mary;
Abraham, died without issue;
John L.;
Anna Barron;
Dudley Gregory, died without issue;
312. William Dudley;
Samuel L., died without issue;
Harriet L.;
Peter Balen, died without issue;
Gerard Aerig, died without issue;
Charles, died without issue.

Elizabeth married a Rosling, and after his death she married W. Phelps. She is dead. Mary married E. F. Pruden and has a son who lives at 410 Franklin Ave., Brooklyn. John married Matilda ———. His widow lives at Toms River, N. J. Anna married John Skinner. Harriet married Mathew C. Myers and lives at 430 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn. None of these could be traced any further.

312. William Dudley Bancker (311) married Jersey Anna Huff. He was superintendent of the American News Company and lived in Brooklyn, N. Y., first at 54 Orange St. and later at 430 Clinton Ave., where he died Dec. 29, 1893. He had seven children as follows:

Margaret Martin;
Abraham, bo. Jan. 22, 1864;
William Dudley;
Edward Huff, bo. July 21, 1871;
Charles Adrian, died without issue.
Andrew Otterson;
Emery Haynes, died without issue.

Margaret married Dr. Bailey and lives at 260 Hancock St., Brooklyn.

Abraham married, Oct. 10, 1888, Anna L. Davis. He lived on East 15th St., Brooklyn in 1906. He has four children: Melvill A., Jersey L., Jannice Ellen, and Vera M.

William is a member of the Anglin-Bancker Company, Publishers, in Omaha, Neb.

Edward married, Nov. 29, 1893, Clara Merrill Hyatt and now lives at 4 St. Paul Court, Brooklyn, N. Y. He is proprietor

of the Pilgrim Steam Laundry. He has two children: Elbert Hyatt, born Feb. 28, 1896; and Marion, born July 25, 1898.

Andrew is unmarried and lives at 430 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, with his mother.

313. Martha Jane Bancker (310) was born in New York in 1794 and married, in 1814, Justice Reynolds. She died in New York Mar. 14, 1866.* She had ten children as follows:

James Bancker, bo. 1816;
William Bancker, bo. 1818;
Maria Wakeman, bo. Sept. 5, 1820;
Ezra, died young;
Ezra, died young;
314. Elizabeth Bancker, bo. 1825;
Adrian, bo. 1827;
315. Catherine Elizabeth, bo. 1831;
Abraham Bancker, bo. 1832;
316. Sarah Louise, bo. July 1, 1834.

James married, but died in 1846 without issue.

William married, in 1837, Sarah M. Hyatt and died in 1877. He had one son, Samuel, who died in infancy.

Maria married, in 1855, John Jacob Griffin, who is engaged in the manufacture of gas meters in Philadelphia, Pa. Maria died Aug. 21, 1902, without issue.

Adrian married, in 1845, Mary Barnes, and died in 1905. He had six children: Mary Francis, born in 1846, is without issue; Adrian Bancker, born in 1848, died in infancy; Adriana Bancker, born in 1850, married Frank Hardy and had four children; Charles Waterbury, born in 1852, is without issue; Cromwell White, born in 1854, is without issue; and William Bancker, born in 1856, and is without issue. I do not know whether any of these are living.

Abraham married, in 1849, Caroline Sturges and died in 1879. He had two children: Maria Louisa, born in 1850 and died in 1863, and Fanny Ada, born in 1852 and married in 1878, is without issue.

314. Elizabeth Bancker Reynolds (313) was born in 1825, married, in 1843, Cromwell T. White, and died in 1897.

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* Also given as Mar. 17, 1862.

She had five children as follows:

Catherine Elizabeth, bo. 1844;
Sarah Maria, bo. 1846;
Ella Bancker, bo. 1854; died young;
Ella Bancker, bo. 1859;
Louisa, bo. 1861; died 1865.

Catherine married, in 1870, Edward C. Diggs and died in 1907. She had one daughter, Elizabeth.

Sarah married, in 1871, Frank M. Gillet and died in 1905. She had three children: Cromwell T., born in 1872; Cassie, born in 1873, and Frank M., born in 1880.

Ella 2d married, in 1890, Jarvis C. Warden, and had one daughter, Elizabeth, born in 1891.

315. Catherine Elizabeth Reynolds (313) was born in 1831, married, in 1852, Charles Grandison Waterbury, and died in 1860. She had two children, twins, as follows:

Cornelius Reed, } bo. May 5, 1853.
Eloise Bancker, }

Cornelius married, in 1878, Cora Boyer and had one daughter, Gwendolyn, born in 1879.

Eloise married, in 1890, Nicholas Lagner Crothers and had three children: John, born in 1892; Charles Grandison, born in 1894, and died in 1895; and Gladys, born in 1899.

316. Sarah Louise Reynolds (313) was born July 1, 1834, and married, May 18, 1853, Arnold Wood. Her husband enlisted in the Civil War in the 1st N. Y. Mounted Rifles. He died in the service at Charles City Court House, Virginia, Dec. 13, 1862. Sarah is now living at Wyncote, Pa. She had two children as follows:

Elizabeth Bancker, bo. May 17, 1860;
Ida Esther, bo. July 20, 1862.

Elizabeth married, Jan. 8, 1880, John Gribbel, a son of James and Anna Gribbel of St. Austells, Cornwall, England, and lives in Wyncote, Pa. She has had five children: Wakeman Griffin, who was born Oct. 24, 1881, and married, Oct. 26, 1907, Margaret Douglas Latta, a daughter of William J. Latta and Catherine Bingham, by whom he has had one daughter, Margaret Douglas, born Aug. 12, 1908; John Bancker, who was born Nov.

2, 1884; Idella Louise, born Aug. 19, 1888; Charles Blodgett, born in 1892 and died young; and Elizabeth, born Sept. 25, 1897.

317. Arietta Bancker (310) was born Mar. 10, 1796. She married, in 1813, John White and died in Plainfield, N. J., Apr. 12, 1878, and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn, N. Y. Her husband died in 1835 and she married second, in 1854, Hugh Miller of New York. She had seven children by her first husband as follows:

318. Eliza Anne, bo. June, 1814;
Maria Theresa, bo. 1816;
321. Martha Jane, bo. Mar. 14, 1820;
Arietta, bo. about 1822;
John, bo. about 1826;
Louisa, bo. Mar. 14, 1827;
James, bo. about 1828.

Maria married Thomas Thomas, but had no issue.

Arietta married, in 1843, Hiram Pack, but nothing further was learned about her.

Louisa married, in 1848, James H. Thomas and died Mar. 17, 1899. She had six children: Agnes, born July 10, 1849, who married Macy Leland and had two sons and two daughters; Thomas H., born June 20, 1851, who married his cousin Josephine Pack* and had one son, Arthur, born Feb. 7, 1883; Etta, born May 4, 1856; Anna, born May 23, 1863; Louise, born Nov. 13, 1866; and Martha, familiarly called Mattie, born Feb. 7, 1875.

John married Mary— ——

James married, about 1847, Emily Brown. Nothing further is known of these.

318. Eliza Ann White (317) was born June, 1814. She married, in 1833, Joseph Sayre Pack, a son of Hezekiah Pack and Abigail Sayre. She died in New York City Apr. 29, 1856, and was buried in the Bancker Vault in the Marble Cemetery, Second St., near Second Ave. She had nine children as follows:

John, bo. 1834; died young;

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* See page 261.

Anna Elizabeth, bo. Sept. 13, 1835; d. Oct. 12, 1856, no issue;
Julia Bancker, bo. Feb 12, 1838; living in 1908, unmarried;
Arietta, bo. Mar. 2, 1840;
Maria Theresa, bo. Feb. 4, 1843;
Josephine, bo. July 12, 1846;
319. Martha Jane, bo. Nov. 27, 1848;
320. Eliza Ann., bo. Mar. 3, 1851;
Charles Arthur, bo. Nov. 2, 1853.

Arietta married, in March,1859, Charles H. Badger and had four children: Charles Franklin, who was born Mar. 4, 1860, and married, Nov. 14, 1903, Florence Marion Wassell; Theresa A., who was born Oct. 30, 1861, and married, July 29, 1885, Thomas Wallace McMullin and lives in Passaic, N. J., where she has one son, Charles Wallace, born June 8, 1887; Alfred Goodrich, who was born Feb. 24, 1868, and married ——— Sheriff and lives in Montana; and Charles, who was born in 1873 and died young.

Maria married, Jan. 16, 1860, Edgar C. Barnes of Newburg, N. Y., and died May 14, 1867. She had five children: Anna, born Aug. 5, 1861; Minnie, born Oct. 15, 1862, who married, Sept. 11, 1889, the Rev. William Eugene Webster and had Jay, born in 1891, and Sophie, born in 1893; Arthur, born May 3, 1864, who married Lottie Merritt and had three sons and three daughters; William, born in November, 1865, and died young; and Edgar, born May 9, 1867, and died young.

Josephine married, in November, 1881, her cousin, Thomas H. Thomas, and is now (1908) living in Brooklyn, N. Y. See page 260 for her issue.

Charles married, but died without issue.

319. Martha Jane Pack (318) was born in New York City Nov. 27, 1848, and married, Nov. 7, 1866, Charles Hubbard, a son of Hon. Charles Hubbard and Amelia Jane Ripley of Chelsea, Mass. She died Aug. 2, 1906, while summering at Ocean Grove, N. J., and was buried at Kensico Cemetery, New York. She had two children as follows:

Charles Dunlap, bo. May 3, 1868;
Florence Hastings, bo. July 26, 1871.

Charles married, Jan. 6, 1891, Gertrude Robbins Pitcher, a daughter of William Robinson Pitcher and Gertrude Ruckel of Brooklyn, N. Y. He lives in Wyncote, Pa., and is engaged in the insurance business. He has one son, Charles Pitcher, born in Brooklyn, Jan. 22, 1893.

Florence married, Apr. 2, 1891, George Sibell Towle, a son of Francis E. Towle and Mary E. Sibell. She is living in Larchmont Manor, N. Y., and has five children: Ellingwood Hubbard, born Jan. 6, 1893; Francis Bartram, born May 24, 1896; Priscilla Alden, born Mar. 7, 1904; John Alden, born Aug. 21, 1905; and Charles Sibell, born Feb. 18, 1907.

320. Eliza Ann Pack (318) was born Mar. 3, 1851, and married, Sept. 30, 1871, Charles S. Shipley. She is familiarly known as "Lylie" and lives in Allandale, N. J. She has three children as follows:

George Alfred, bo. Nov. 13, 1872;
Frederick Bancker, bo. Aug. 27, 1876;
Amy, bo. Jan. 13, 1879.

Frederick married, Dec. 18, 1900, Anna Estelle Van Trump and has one daughter, Katheryn, born Dec. 5, 1904.

Amy married, July 1, 1905, Dr. Thompson Tyler Sweeny of New York City and has one son, Thompson Tyler, born May 5, 1907.

321. Martha Jane White (317) was born Mar. 14, 1820, and married, Sept. 19, 1842, her cousin, Abraham Bancker Dunlap, who was born Sept. 19, 1814, a son of James Dunlap and Eliza Bancker.* Abraham was a merchant in New York and Plainfield, N. J. He died July 19, 1905. Martha died June 15, 1875. She had three children as follows:

James, bo. July 19, 1843; d. Aug. 20, 1843;
Anna Balen, bo. Jan. 4, 1845;
Abraham Bancker, bo. June 19, 1848; d. May, 1857.

Anna married, Nov. 7, 1866, Alonzo Gustavus Conant, who was born in Boston, Mass., Dec. 16, 1836. Her husband is the ninth in direct descent from Roger Conant who came from England in the brig "Ann" just after the "Mayflower." He is a

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* See page 263.

merchant and they lived in New York City until 1870, then moved to Passaic, N. J. Since 1875 they have lived in Plainfield, N. J. Anna has had eight children: Edith Dunlap, born June 27, 1868, and died Aug. 3, 1868; Alonzo Bancker, born July 18, 1870; Alfred Dunlap, born May 12, 1873; Louis Balen, born Mar. 25, 1877, and died Oct 8, 1879; Alice Eugenie, born Sept. 24, 1879; Arthur Franklin, born Nov. 15, 1882; Anna Louise, born July 21, 1884; and Aimee Juliet, born June 12, 1888.

322. John Bancker (310) married Jane E. Jacques. He lived at one time in Brighton, Monroe Co., N. Y., but died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1886. His widow was living in Brooklyn in 1890. He had at least five children as follows:

Elizabeth;
John J., bo. about 1838;
Emma J. P., bo about 1841;
Danforth Jacques, bo. about 1843;
Francelia A., bo. about 1861.

Elizabeth married the Rev. Mr. Tozer and had at least two children: Ernest B., born about 1864, and Evalyn I. B., born about 1865. Elizabeth probably died before 1886 and her children were living in Taunton, Mass., at that time.

John J. married, July 17, 1872, E. Frances Sholtus, a daughter of Chauncey H. Sholtus. He lived in Rochester, N. Y., where his wife died May 29, 1890, and he died June 7, 1890, without issue.

Emma married the Rev. Mr. Howlett and was living in Plainfield, N. J., in 1890.

Jacques is a photographer at 98 Sixth Ave., New York City.

Francelia married B. J. Cox and lives at 720 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

323. Eliza Bancker (310) married James Dunlap and died about 1856. She had children as follows:

Abraham Bancker, bo. Sept. 19, 1814;
324. Anna Maria, bo. Feb. 22, 1816.

Abraham married his cousin, Martha Jane White, and died in 1905. See page 262 for issue.

324. Anna Maria Dunlap (323) was born Feb. 22, 1816, and married Peter Balen, who was born Nov. 29, 1804, and died Mar. 31, 1882. She had five children as follows:

James Dunlap, bo. 1835;
Eliza Dunlap, bo. Apr. 9, 1837;
Peter;
Abraham Dunlap, died about 1903, unmarried;
William, died, aged nine years.

James married, in 1857, Julia Myers and had two children: Julia, the younger, about whom nothing is known; and Anna, who married Abraham Hooley, was divorced, and married second a physician, and died leaving two children by her first husband and one child by her second.

Eliza married, in 1858, Samuel Bradley Montgomery and died in April, 1906. She had two children: William, who married a Derby and had one daughter, Dorothy; and Anna, who married Clare Derby and had three sons.

Peter married Mary Stickney and had three daughters.

325. William Bancker (304) was born in New York City Jan. 8, and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Jan. 12, 1736. He married, Jan. 26, 1758, Anna Rutgers, who was born Dec. 30, 1736, a daughter of Hendrick Rutgers and Catharine De Peyster,* and hence his second cousin. He was a merchant and lived on Staten Island. He was buried Feb. 22, 1772. His widow made her will in 1803, and it was admitted to probate Aug. 16, 1822. His interest in the Kaydarosseras Patent was in part sold by his widow and in part went to his children. Madison Street in New York City was at one time called Bancker Street after him. His father-in-law owned a farm in this region of the city and when it was laid out into city lots he named the streets after members of his family. Many of the names remain to this day. William had four children as follows:

Catharina, bp. Aug. 30, 1760;
Christoffel, bp. Nov. 8, 1761; probably died young;
Elizabet, bp. Feb. 9, 1763;
Hendrick, bp. Feb. 15, 1767.

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* See page 305.

Catharine married, Feb. 8, 1783, Abraham B. De Peyster. He died before 1803. Catharine had at least three children: William Bancker, born Mar. 18, 1786, and died young; Elizabeth, born Sept. 21, 1787, and married Henry Remsen, private secretary to President Jefferson and for many years president of the Manhattan Company; and William, born Dec. 11, 1789. These were traced no further.

Elizabeth married, May 19, 1788, Garret De Witt. He bought of the other children of William Bancker their interest in the Kayadarosseras Patent in 1789. Elizabeth had at least one child, William Bancker, born July 2, 1789. This line was traced no further.

Hendrick married Anna ———. He died before 1789. Nothing further was learned of him.

CHAPTER XXII.

THE EVERT BANCKER FAMILY.—CONTINUED.

326. WILLIAM BANCKER (301) was born in Albany Oct. 28, 1699. He married in Schenectady, Dec. 17, 1726, Annatje Veeder, a daughter of Gerrit Seymonsen Veeder and Catrina ———. He was a farmer and lived in Schenectady, N. Y., where he died Feb. 22, 1772. He had at least eight children:

Evert, bp. Dec. 13, 1727; died young;
327. Thomas Brouwer, bo. Dec. 8, 1729;
331. Elizabeth, bp. July 16, 1732;
332. Catharina, bp. Oct. 6, 1734;
333. Neeltie, bp. Dec. 21, 1737;
Annatje, bp. Aug. 16, 1740;
Jannetie, bp. Mar. 25, 1744;
Evert, bp. Sept. 21, 1746; died without issue.

Annatie married, Feb. 23, 1782, as his second wife, Arent Vedder, a son of Simon Vedder. She died July 14 or 18, 1813. She had at least one child, Johannes, born Apr. 10, 1787. Nothing further is known of him.

Jannetie seems to have married, May 21, 1763, Daniel R. Winne, and had at least one child, Willem, born Mar. 21, 1769. She may have had also a son, Daniel K., who married Alida Vischer. The latter was born Feb. 19, 1789, a daughter of Teunis G. Vischer and Alida Lansing. Daniel K. had the following children: William Bancker, born Sept. 3, 1810, and died young; Sarah Catalina, born Nov. 16, 1811; William Bancker, born Sept. 28, 1813; Ann Maria, born Jan. 2, 1816; and William Vischer, born Apr. 7, 1818. The family has been traced no further.

The name Bancker is lost in this generation of William's family, as Thomas B., the only son having a family, had no sons.

327. THOMAS BROUWER BANCKER (326) was born in Schenectady Dec. 8, 1729. He married first, Nov. 2, 1754, Anna

Mebie, a daughter of Jacob Mebie. She died July 2, 1776, aged 43 years, 8 mos., 28 dys. He then married Geertruy Van Slyck, who died before him. Thomas was a blacksmith and built and lived in the house at 108 State St., his blacksmith shop standing next east. This is as stated by Pearson in 1873. He appears to have owned one or more slaves. He was a deacon of the Dutch Reformed Church in 1763 and an elder in 1799. Thomas had a military spirit and was active in the service of the colony of New York during the period of the Revolution. In 1767 he was a member of Capt. Nicholas Groot's Company of militia in Schenectady. The next year he was recommended as 1st lieutenant in a new regiment of militia under Col. Van Slyck. In the time of the Revolution he was 1st lieutenant of the 4th Company, 2nd Reg't of the Albany county militia, receiving his commission Oct. 20, 1775. He became captain of the company June 20, 1778. In 1785 his company received £270 for its services in the War. He died May 25, 1807. He had six children, all girls, as follows:

328. Annatie, bp. Oct. 31, 1756;
Margrita, bp. Jan. 21, 1759;
Elizabeth, bp. Nov. 1, 1761; d. June 28, 1836, unmar.;
Catharina, bp. Feb. 17, 1765;
329. Neeltie, bp. Feb. 1, 1767;
330. Magdalena, bp. May 7, 1769.

Margrita has been traced no further.

Elizabeth made her will in 1831. She mentions besides relatives, "a colored woman usually called Flora Banker."

Catharina married Frederick Vedder and had at least one son, Brower Banker, and probably another. They appear to have owned some slaves.

328. Annatie Bancker (327) was born in Schenectady and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Oct. 31, 1756. She married, June 25, 1775, Daniel Toll Clute, a Son of Gillis Clute. They lived in Schenectady in 1790 and owned one slave at that time. Annatie died Apr. 28, 1807, and her husband died July 25, 1815. She had nine children as follows:

Annatje, bp. Dec. 29, 1776;
Jillis, bp. Dec. 25, 1778; died young;
Jillis, bp. May 21, 1780;

Geertruy, bp. Feb., 1783;
Susanna, bo. Aug. 29, 1785;
Thomas, bo. July 26, 1788;
William Bancker, bo. Sept. 26, 1791;
Tanneke, bo. Mar. 26, 1794;
Neeltje, bo. Feb. 5, 1800.

Annatje, later called Nancy, is mentioned in her aunt's will as Nancy Shutts, but in the petition of administration she is called Nancy Stewart, wife of John Stewart; moreover, the will mentions a Nancy Stewart, daughter of John Stewart. I cannot understand the Shutts.

Jillis or Gillis died before 1836 leaving children: Nancy, who married a Wilmerding, of Moscow, N. Y.; Charles S. and Daniel of Moscow; and Elizabeth Susan, the youngest. These have been traced no further.

Gertrude married John McMichael of Schenectady, but was traced no further.

Susanna married Andrew N. Van Patten of Syracuse. Nothing more was learned of her.

Thomas lived in Centerville, Allegheny Co., N. Y., in 1836.

William was living in Perry, N. Y., in 1836.

Tanneke married Jonathan Webb of Indiana.

No further trace was made of any of this family.

329. Neeltie Bancker (327) was born in Schenectady and baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Feb. 1, 1767. She married Cornelius Peek, son of Cornelius Peek* and a descendant of Jan Peek from whom the Peekskill was named. They lived in Schenectady and owned at least two slaves. Neeltie died Feb. 16, 1832. Her husband died before 1836. She had eight children as follows:

Thomas Bancker, bo. Apr. 28, 1785; died young;
Thomas Bancker, bo. Sept. 15, 1786; d. Aug. 7, 1853;
Jacobus, bo. May 26, 1789;
Christoffel, bo. Mar. 24, 1793; d. Apr. 28, 1839;
Evert, bo. Aug. 10, 1795;
Annatie Bancker, bp. Dec. 14, 1800; d. Aug. 10, 1872;

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* He was a brother of Hendricus Peek, who married Elizabeth Bancker. See page 270.

Margarieta Truex, bo. Dec. 10, 1799; bp. Dec. 14, 1800;
Henry Dellamont, bo. Sept. 27, 1807.

Jacobus died Jan. 15, 1831. He was married and had three children: Sally, who married a Minklaer of Rotterdam, N. Y., James, and Eliza. The last two were living in Schenectady in 1836.

Evert died before 1836 and left at least one child, Catalina, of Schenectady.

Margarieta married Ahasuerus Lighthall.

Of the others nothing further was learned.

330. Magdalena Bancker (327) was born in Schenectady May 5, 1769. She married, Dec. 15, 1788, Frans Van De Bogart Vedder, son of Albert Vedder. She died Apr. 7, 1834, her husband having died Apr. 3, 1811. She is called Helena in her sister's will. She had nine children as follows:

Annatie, bo. Nov. 8, 1789;
Albert F., bo. Jan. 14, 1792;
Jacob Mabie, bo. Apr. 30, 1794;
Johannes I., bo. Oct. 29, 1796;
Esther, bo. Jan. 4, 1799;
Margarita, bo. Jan. 17, 1801;
Nicholas F., bo. Jan. 10, 1804;
Elizabeth Catharine, bo. July 15, 1806;
Francis Van De Bogart, bo. Oct. 4 or 5, 1810.

Annatie married John Newkirk, according to Pearson, but according to her aunt's will in 1836 she was the wife of John F. D. Vedder. It is probable that her first husband died and that she married second John F. D. Vedder, husband of her deceased sister, Esther.

Albert married Nancy Feling.

Jacob married Elsie Fisher and died Jan. 17, 1855. He had at least one son, Brower Banker.

Johannes married Lucy Ann Norton.

Esther married John F. D. Vedder, Dec. 11, 1821, and had one son, Frederick. She died before 1836.

Margarita married Abraham Vedder.

Nicholas married, Oct. 12, 1836, Cornelia Blandina Vedder, who was born May 22, 1801, and died Sept. 12, 1867.

Elizabeth married, Feb. 15, 1832, Aaron I. Bratt, who was born Aug. 13, 1806, and died Mar. 7, 1861.

Francis married Grace Bush.

No further trace was made of any of the above family except that in 1836 Albert, Jacob, and Margaret were in Schenectady; John, Nicholas, and Francis were in Utica; Annatie was in Duanesburgh; and Elizabeth was in Rotterdam.

331. Elizabeth Bancker (326) was born in Schenectady and was baptized July 16, 1732. She married, Nov. 30, 1757, Hendricus Peek, a great-grandson of Jan Peek, from whom the Peekskill was named. Hendrick was a son of Jacobus Peek and was baptized in Schenectady Sept. 15, 1734. He was the Uncle of Cornelius, who married Neeltie Bancker.* Elizabeth had ten children as follows:

Jacobus, bp. Aug. 20, 1758;
Evert, bp. Aug. 9, 1760;
Henderick, bp. July 25, 1762; died young;
Henderick, bp. Apr. 22, 1764;
Willem, bp. Feb. 23, 1766;
Margarita, bp. Jan. 3, 1768;
Thomas, bp. Dec. 10, 1769;
Annatje, bp. Jan. 19, 1772; died young;
Annatje, bp. Jan. 3, 1773;
Clara, bp. June 23, 1776.

Jacobus was born Aug. 16, 1758. He married Sara Peek, a daughter of Johannes H. Peek. She died Jan. 27, 1840, aged 77 yrs., 4 mos., 7 days. Jacobus died Sept. 23, 1835. He had four children: Elizabeth, born Nov. 6, 1783, who married first Cornelius Van Antwerp and second Peter V. De Graaf of Herkimer and died Oct. 10, 1848; Johannes, born July 29, 1785, and died Jan. 14, 1834; Eva, born Nov. 22, 1790; and Sarah, born July 20, 1793.

Evert was traced no further.

Henderick married, Nov. 11, 1787, Susanna Van der Volgen, daughter of Cornelis Van der Volgen. He had two children: Jannetie, born Jan. 6, 1788; and Cornelis, born June 8, 1791.

William married, Sept. 22, 1788, Judith Hicks. He had four children: Evert, born Apr. 23, 1790; Sarah, born Sept. 22,

* See page 268.

1792; Susanna, born Oct. 3, 1794, and died young; and Susanna, born Feb. 5, 1796.

Margarita married, in December, 1787, Bartholomeus Clute, a son of Johannes Clute and a first cousin of Daniel Toll Clute, who married Annatie Bancker.* She had nine children: Johannes, born May 5, 1788; Elizabeth, born Nov. 22, 1790; Hendrick, born Sept. 28, 1793, and died young; Catharina, born Dec. 27, 1794; Hendrick, born Jan. 11, 1798, and died Apr. 22, 1836; Cornelius, born Feb. 16, 1801; James, born Dec. 20, 1803; Margaret, born Jan. 10, 1807, and died young; and Margaret, born Jan. 23, 1811.

Thomas was traced no further.

Annatie married Ryckert Rosa, son of Isaac Rosa. She had seven children: Maria, born Nov. 6, 1793; Hendrik, born Aug. 17, 1795; Isaac, born Sept. 8, 1797; Elizabeth, born Oct. 13, 1799; John, born May 28, 1801; James, born Aug. 10, 1803; and Martin, born July 30, 1805.

Clara was traced no further.

332. Catharina Bancker (326) was born in Schenectady and baptized Oct. 6, 1734. She married, Nov. 26, 1757, Jacobus Van Arnhem. It is said that they were both from the colony of Rensselaerwyck. They probably lived on farms south of Schenectady in what is now Albany county. Catharine had nine children as follows:

Johannes, bp. July 23, 1758;
Willem, bp. Oct. 1, 1759;
Evert, bp. Nov. 1, 1761;
Annatie, bp. Oct. 23, 1763;
Henderick, bp. Mar. 10, 1766;
Elizabeth, bp. Dec. 20, 1767;
Hester, bp. Sept. 20, 1769;
Thomas, bp. Feb. 9, 1774;
Helena, bp. June 19, 1779.

None of these have been traced any further except William and Evert.

William married Helena Wemple, probably a daughter of Abraham J. Wemple. He appears to have lived on a farm near

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* See page 267.

the Normanskill. He had three children: Catharina, born Sept. 7, 1785; Rachel, born Oct. 13, 1789; and Elizabeth Wemple, born May 10, 1796.

Evert married, June 16, 1786, Lena, a daughter of Johannes Hendrickse Vrooman. He seems to have lived in the country south of Schenectady. He had at least one child, Johannes Vrooman, born Mar. 17, 1787.

333. Neeltie Bancker (326) was born and baptized in Schenectady Dec. 21, 1737. She married, May 30, 1761, Albert A. Vedder, a son of Alexander Vedder. Albert died June 21, 1800. Neeltie had five children as follows:

Margarita, bp. Jan. 10, 1762;
334. Alexander, bo. Oct. 27, 1764;
Willem, bp. Jan. 4, 1767;
Thomas, bp. July 25, 1773;
Annatje, bp. Sept. 3, 1775.

Margarita and Thomas have been traced no further.

William married, Oct. 16, 1790, Eva De Graaf and died in Glenville in 1849 aged 82 yrs. He had nine children: Nicholas, born Oct. 29, 1790; Cornelius, born Aug. 18, 1792, and died Mar. 16, 1845; Annatje, born July 16, 1795, married John L. Van Eps, and died May 22, 1843; Albert, born Jan 6, 1798; Elizabeth, born Aug. 24, 1800; Margarietje, born Jan 1, 1802; Abraham, born Feb. 14, 1806; Abraham De Graaf, born Jan. 23, 1809; and William Bancker, born Oct. 26, 1811.

Annatje married Robert Moyston.

334. Alexander Vedder (333) was baptized in Schenectady Oct. 27, 1764. He married, July 25, 1787, Susanna Vrooman, a daughter of Jacob Vrooman. She died in 1832 aged 63 years. Alexander died Mar. 7, 1813. He had seven children:

Maria, bo. Jan. 25, 1788;
Jacob, bo. Oct. 2, or 5, 1789;
Nicolas, bo. Nov. 27, 1791;
Hendrick Switz, bo. Mar. 2 or 3, 1794;
Albert bo. Apr. 30 or May 1, 1796;
Lena, bo. Aug. 13, 1798;
Neeltje, bo. Nov. 20, 1800.

Maria married Thomas Tillman May 27, 1808, and died in 1832.

Jacob married, in 1809, Elizabeth Ward, a daughter of Christopher Ward. She died Dec. 20, 1870, aged 80 years. Jacob died Jan. 22, 1838. He had fourteen children: Susan, born Jan. 26, 1810, married, Aug. 1, 1827, Peter H. Clute, who died Mar. 13, 1866, and Susan died Aug. 19, 1860; Margaret, born Nov. 14, 1811, married, Sept. 11, 1830, Henry Fritcher of Canajoharie, who died Dec. 3, 1843, and Margaret died May 22, 1845; Maria, born Aug. 16, 1813, and married, Apr. 19, 1832, Isaac Christiaanse, who died Apr. 13, 1864; Christopher, born Sept. 9, 1815, and died Nov. 29, 1817; Jane Helen, born Aug. 27, 1818, and died Sept. 13, 1819; Eleanor, born July 13, 1819, and married, Mar. 3, 1841, Robert Bannard, who died Oct. 11, 1857; Nicholas A., born Aug. 13, 1821, and married, Oct. 16, 1852, Fanny M. Thayer of Taunton, Mass.; Jacob A., born Oct. 15, 1823, and married, Apr. 17, 1849, Susan Jane Vrooman; Elizabeth, born Mar. 7, 1825, and married, Dec. 8, 1847, Philo Timmerman, of Medina, who died July 29, 1855; Harmen P., born Nov. 3, 1827, and married, July 16, 1857, Mary E. Chapman, of Rockford, Ill.; Jane, born Oct. 26, 1829, and married, Dec. 30, 1847, Thomas L. Pemberton, of Albany; Christopher, born Oct. 14, 1831, and died July 25, 1838; Rachel, born Aug. 23, 1834, married, Sept. 13, 1853, George Marselis, and died Oct. 13, 1854; Henry, born Mar. 28, 1837, and died Aug. 25, 1837.

Nicholas married, Oct. 24, 1812, Annatie Marselis, a daughter of Nicholas Marselis. He died Oct. 13, 1862. He had ten children: Alexander M., who graduated from Union College in 1833 and was professor of anatomy and physiology from 1849 to 1863; Simon V., who was a merchant in New York; Jacob, who died young; Stephen Y., who graduated from Union College in 1841, became a merchant, and died in Rhinebeck May 11, 1860; Anna M., who married Rev. William H. Ten Eyck, D. D., of Astoria; Henry N., who became a merchant in Rhinebeck; Edward, who died young; Joseph H., who graduated from Union College in 1851 and became a physician; Marselis R., who graduated from Union College in 1856 and became a physician in New York; and Susan Gertrude.

Henry and Albert have been traced no further.

Lena married Frederick B. Allen and died Sept. 6 or 20, 1824.

Neeltje married George Manly and died in 1862.

335. Adriaan Bancker (301) was born in Albany, N. Y., Oct. 10, 1708. He married in New York, Jan. 31, 1728-29, Gertrude Elizabeth Van Taerling, who was born Nov. 17, 1709, a daughter of Floris Van Taerling of New York, who was at one time governor of Cursoa, Dutch Guiana. Adriaan lived in New York and died Aug. 21, 1772. At that date his widow was still living. He had seven children:

Elizabeth, bo. Oct. 18, 1729;
Neeltje, bo. Aug. 26, 1732;
Jannetje, bo. Oct. 9, 1735;
336. Floris, bo. Mar. 23, 1740-41;
Anna, bo. Jan. 13, 1743-4;
342. Magdalena, Mary, } bo. May 14, 1746; twins.

Elizabeth married, Dec. 9, 1753, Jacobus Bogert. She had six children: Elizabet, bp. Oct. 2, 1754; Jan, bp. Dec. 28, 1755; Annatje, bp. July 3, 1757; Neeltje, bp. July 15, 1759; and Adriaan and Belitje, a pair of twins, bp. May 24, 1761. These were traced no further.

Nothing further was learned of Neeltje.

Jannetje married James Duthie, a peruke-maker in New York, their license being dated Sept. 11, 1758.

Anna married Dennis Hicks and had at least three children: Adriaan Bancker, bapt. July 31, 1774; Maria, born Feb. 5, 1776; and Joseph, born June 17, 1785. The family was traced no further.

Maria or Mary seems to have married, in 1775, Josiah Holmes, a mason of the city of New York, their license being dated Dec. 21, 1775. Nothing further is known of her.

336. Floris* Bancker (335) was born in New York and baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church Mar. 29, 1741. He married Martha Young, whose mother was Martha La Due. He was active in the American cause in the Revolution. He was captain of the 7th Company, 6th Reg't of Albany county militia under Col. Stephen J. Schuyler. On Feb. 20, 1776, he received a commission as 2d major of the regiment. In July and August,

* In old records usually spelled Flores, sometimes Florus.

1777, his regiment of 25 officers and 243 men marched to Ft. Edward and returned. He was a member of a court-martial held in Albany May 21 to July 1, 1777. From 1778 to 1780 he was one of the commissioners of sequestration for the Middle District of Albany. He was a member of the Assembly from Albany in the 3d session from Aug. 18, 1779, to July 2, 1780. It is interesting to note in this connection that he received for his services $12 per day for 45 days in 1779 and $24 per day for 47 days in 1780. Also he was allowed at the latter session for traveling expenses to Albany and return $36 per day. The Assembly met in Kingston.

Before and during the Revolution Floris seems to have made Albany his home. He was a merchant and a surveyor, and later laid out the town of New City, now Lansingburgh, N. Y., where he lived for a time. He afterward lived on a farm in the town of Brunswick, where he died. His will, dated Aug. 30, 1819, was proved Apr. 9, 1821. He left besides two children a widow, whose will was admitted to probate Dec. 26, 1832. His children were:

337. William;
339. Elizabeth.

337. William Bancker (336) lived on his father's farm in Brunswick, Rensselaer Co., N. Y. He married Sinea Ryan and died about 1850 to 1860. His widow made her will in 1854, which was probated July 28, 1863. She was buried in Cooksborough, N. Y. William had five children:

Cynthia M., d. in May 1885, unmarried;
338. Floris V. T., bo. June 13, 1800;
Adrian, d. between 1850 and 1860;
Edward, d. about 1832, unmarried;
Eliza.

Nothing further is known of any of these children except Floris.

338. Floris Van Taerling Bancker (337) was born June 13, 1800, near Lansingburgh, N. Y. He married, Dec. 1, 1821, Maria C. Hollister, who was born June 16, 1801, and died Aug. 25, 1870. Floris was a mechanic and a farmer like his father and lived for a time in Saratoga county, N. Y. He then

moved to Sherman, St. Joseph Co., Mich. He died Dec. 3, 1871. He had six children as follows:

Edward J., bo. Mar. 20, 1823;
Henry H., bo. May 27, 1827;
Enoch, bo. Oct. 7, 1831;
Eliza Maria, bo. July 3, 1835; d. in 187—, unmarried;
Esther Cornelia, bo. Sept. 17, 1837;
John A., bo. May 4, 1840; d. in 188—

Edward married Charlotte Curtiss of Ballston, N. Y., Dec. 10, 1845. She died April 6, 1868, and he died July 4, 1856. He had no issue.

Henry married, July 20, 1851, Eliza Farley. He died Dec. 13,* 1853, and his widow married second a Mr. Wood, who has since died, and she now lives at Ballston Springs, N. Y. Henry had one son, Henry Floris.

Enoch married, Dec. 24, 1868, Lucy White Clark, who was born Nov. 24, 1839, a daughter of Charles H. Clark and Mary White. He graduated from the Michigan Normal School in 1857 and from Michigan University in 1860. He is a lawyer and has lived in Jackson, Mich., since 1860. He has held the offices of city recorder, city attorney, and assistant prosecuting attorney. He is now (1909) president of the Jackson Bar Association. He has five children: Mary Clark, born Oct. 28, 1870; Katherin Hollister, born Aug. 15, 1872; Charles Edwin, born Feb. 2, 1874; Martha White, born Jan. 3, 1876; and Edward Arthur, born Oct. 23, 1880.

Esther married, Oct. 15 or 18, 1858, Germain H. Mason. Her husband is dead and Mrs. Mason was living in 1902 with her daughter in Paris, France. She had at least one daughter, Maud H., born Jan. 28, 1862, who married a Ranney and lives in Paris. She has two children: a daughter, Germaine; and a son, Edward V. T.

John married but had no issue.

339. Elizabeth Bancker (336) married, Oct. 1, 1797, William Van Vleck, who was born in New York City in 1775,† a son of Samuel Van Vleck. Mr. Van Vleck moved to Bruns-

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* Also given as Dec. 23.
† Also given as Long Island in 1776.

wick, Rensselaer Co., when a young man and there met his future wife. He settled on a farm, where he lived for over sixty years and the place was long after known as the Van Vleck farm. He was a soldier in the War of 1812, and at the time of his death, Mar. 7, 1864, it was said that six of his grandsons and one great-grandson were engaged in the Civil War. The latter was wounded at Chancellorsville. He was justice of the peace in his town at an early date and was supervisor one term. He and his wife were for many years members of the Presbyterian Church, of which he was for a time deacon. Elizabeth died Apr. 14, 1851. She had the following children:

Martha, bo. June 14, 1798;
Catharine, bo. Aug. 4, 1799; d. Nov. 27, 1884, unmar.;
340. Floris Bancker, bo. Feb. 19, 1801;
Samuel, bo. Nov. 16, 1802;
William Henry, bo. July 30, 1804; d. Nov. 12, 1825, unmarried;
Adrian Bancker, bo. Feb. 24, 1806;
John T., bo. Oct. 3, 1807;
Nicholas Young, bo. June 11, 1809; d. Nov. 24, 1850, unmarried;
Cornelius, bo. May 3, 1811; nothing further known;
Elizabeth, bo. Mar. 5, 1813;
George Washington, bo. Oct. 31, 1814;
Eleanor, bo. Apr. 11, 1816;
Luke Stoutenburgh, bo. Mar. 31, 1819.

Martha married Thomas H. Miter when she was over sixty years old and is said to have had a very happy wedded life. She died Feb. 16, 1890, without issue.

Samuel married Catharine Filkins and had at least six children: William, Jacob, Floris, Charles, Rachel, and Elizabeth. Jacob was killed in the Civil War. The others are believed to be all dead, but nothing is known as to their families.

Adrian married Helen Stranahan and had four children: William and George and a pair of twins, Ellen Jannet and Helen Jane. All are supposed to be dead except possibly William. Nothing further is known of the family

John married Maria ———, of Schenectady and had two children, William and Elizabeth, but nothing further is known of them.

Elizabeth married Allen Stranahan, a brother of Helen. She had three children: Margaret, William, and Luke. They all married and had families. The boys lived in Essex county, N. Y., but nothing further is known of them.

George went to Texas, where he was married six times. During the Civil War he entered the Confederate Army and rose to the rank of a brigadier-general. He was a member of Magnolia Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and at the time of his death was the oldest past-grandmaster of the state. He died at his residence on San Jacinto Street, Houston, Tex., in October, 1890. He left a widow, but nothing further is known of his family.

Eleanor married Lyman Fenn. She died Jan. 9, 1904, in Troy, N. Y., her husband having died previously. She had no issue.

Luke married Maria Bortel and lived in New York City. He had two children, Frank (a girl) and Alson Hull. He and his wife are both dead.

340. Floris Bancker Van Vleck (339) was born in Brunswick, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Feb. 19, 1801. He married, Feb. 19, 1824, Eliza Benjamin, who was born Aug. 5, 1798, a daughter of John Benjamin and Elizabeth Tupper. His wife died Nov. 20, 1851, and he died Feb. 6, 1891. He had eight children as follows:

341. William Henry, bo. Feb. 12, 1825;
Elizabeth Jane, bo. Sept. 27, 1826; d. Jan. 26, 1901, unmarried;
Judd Abbott, bo. Sept. 22, 1828; d. Jan. 10, 1835;
Josiah Kellogg, bo. May 9, 1831; d. Mar. 14, 1833;
Margaret Maria, bo. May 5, 1833; d. Oct. 26, 1835;
Mary Augusta, bo. Dec. 5, 1835;
Sarah Anna, bo. Oct. 29, 1837;
Emily Martha, bo. Dec. 21, 1841; d. in infancy.

Mary A. is living unmarried with her sister Sarah. She has in her possession the original family record written by Adrian Bancker, No. 335. It is written in Dutch and in a remarkably clear and beautiful hand.

Sarah married, July 20, 1858, Peter B. King, a son of Daniel King and Elizabeth Dickson. Her husband has died and she is living at 555 Second Ave., Lansingburgh, N. Y., on property

originally owned by her great-grandfather, Maj. Floris Bancker. She had one son, Daniel, born June 17, 1863, and died the same day. She has adopted her grand-niece, Sarah Augusta Holbrook.

341. WILLIAM HENRY VAN VLECK (340) was born Feb. 12, 1825. He married, Nov. 5, 1845, Elizabeth Say Wilson and died July 27, 1868. He had seven children as follows:

Augustus Benjamin, bo. Oct. 25, 1846; d. Oct. 1867, at Key West;
Martha Jane, died young;
Alpharetta, bo. 1851; died young;
Kate T., bo. Sept. 16, 1853;
Frank W., bo. Aug. 17, 1855;
Fred, bo. Sept. 14, 1860;
Elizabeth Jane, bo. Aug. 17, 1862.

Kate married, Mar. 16, 1876, Albert W. Holbrook of Rutland, Vt., and had four children: Fred, who died in infancy, Jan. 11, 1883; Elizabeth, who also died as a child, Dec. 31, 1882; Sarah Augusta, born Dec. 25, 1876, and afterward adopted by her great aunt, Mrs. Sarah A. King, with whom she is now living unmarried; and Grace Wilder, born May 25, 1885, who married Claude Paulger and lives with her mother near Farmington, Oakland Co., Mich.

Frank W. married Luella ———, from whom he was later divorced. He lives in Melrose, N. Y., and has one daughter. His wife is living in New York City.

Fred went west and nothing further is known of him. He is believed to be unmarried.

Elizabeth married first, Jan. 1, 1879, William Miller of Sand Lake, N. Y. After his death she married Ezra Sliter. He has since died and she is now (1908) living with her daughter, Annabelle. She had three children, all by her first husband: Annabelle, born June 4, 1880, who married Forrest Eugene Hulsart Nov. 25, 1903, and lives in Freehold, N. J.; George Washington, born Feb. 3, 1884, and died young; and Elizabeth, born Aug. 12, 1885, who married Charles Lavigne in December, 1907, and lives in Troy, N. Y.

342. MAGDALENA BANCKER (335) was born in New York May 14 and was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church May

19, 1746.* She married, Mar. 12, 1771, Ulpianus Van Sinderen, who was baptized Apr. 29, 1750, a son of Rev. Ulpianus Van Sinderen and Cornelia Schenck. His father was pastor of Flatbush and came from Holland in 1747 and was a son of Rev. Hotso Van Sinderen of Holland. Mr. Van Sinderen was a joiner. Magdalena had one son:

Adrian, bo. in 1772.

Adrian married first, in 1797, Mary Lawrence, a daughter of Capt. Thomas Lawrence and Elizabeth Fish of Newtown, L. I. After her death he married second, on Thursday evening, Feb. 1, 1821, Mary Suydam, the widow of Henry Whitney. She was a daughter of Hendrick Suydam and Phoebe Skidmore of Hallett's Cove, L. I., and was born Sept. 5, 1780. Her first husband, whom she married July 30, 1808, was a merchant of New York. He was born at Derby, Conn., July 30, 1772, and died at 75 Broadway Mar. 12, 1812. Adrian was a merchant of New York City and died there Aug. 20, 1843. His widow died at 109 Remsen St., Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 15, 1867. He had by his first wife: Eliza, William, Henry, Eliza, and William Henry. The first three died young. Eliza was living unmarried in Brooklyn in 1877. William Henry was born about 1811 and married Lydia Matilda Howard. He was a physician and died Nov. 12, 1837. He is buried in the grave-yard of the Presbyterian Church at Newtown, L. I. He had two sons: William Henry, who died Oct. 9, 1837, aged 14 mos., and Adrian, who married and was living in Brooklyn in 1877.

343. Gerardus Bancker (301) was born in Albany, N. Y., Apr. 1, 1706. He married, Oct. 31, 1731, in New York, Maria De Peyster, who was born Jan. 20, 1706, a daughter of Johannes De Peyster and Anna Bancker† and, therefore, first cousin to Gerardus. He appears to have returned directly after his marriage to Albany and to have made that his home, but we find little trace of him and he died before Feb. 27, 1745, as his wife is mentioned at that date as a widow. She married second Joseph Ogden of Newark, N. J., their license being dated June 14, 1753. She appears to have had no issue by this second mar-

* These dates are from the family record of her father, Adrian. The church record says, bapt. May. 4.

† See page 297.

riage. In 1733 Gerardus was a lieutenant in a regiment of Albany county militia under Col. Philip Schuyler. He had at least six children, as follows:

Anna, bo. Aug. 31, 1732;
344. Evert, bo. Aug. 9, 1734;
Elizabeth, bo. May 9, 1736; d. in May, 1800, unmarried;
345. Johannes, bp. Feb. 22, 1738;
Gerard, bo. Feb. 14, 1740;
Maria, bo. Mar. 10, 1742; nothing further known.

Anna married, June 15, 1753, in New York, Abraham Hyer, a mariner. She had at least six children: Christina, bapt. Sept. 15, 1754; Gerhardus, bapt. June 20, 1756; Maria, bapt. June 14, 1758; Abraham, bapt. Aug. 5, 1764; Elizabet, bapt. Apr. 17, 1768; and Ann, bapt. Jan. 14, 1770. None of these were traced any further.

Gerard appears never to have married, as in his will he mentions only children of his brothers, Evert and Johannes, and I have found no evidence of his having a family. He was treasurer of New York Colony under the Provincial Congress and in January, 1777, he asked to be relieved, but this does not seem to have been granted and he became the first treasurer of the State of New York and held the office from Apr. 1, 1778, until March 16, 1798. He was thus treasurer throughout the period of the Revolution, and the certificates issued in payment of soldiers' claims on the State of New York are all signed by him. He was appointed one of the commissioners for determining and settling the Massachusetts boundary in 1773 and again in 1783. He made his will in 1796, which was probated Jan. 21, 1799. He was buried in New York Jan. 18, 1799. Nearly one hundred years after his death, on Mar. 25, 1898, there was offered for sale by a Philadelphia auction house, as described in their catalogue, "A Unique Collection of Broadsides gathered by Gerard Bancker, Provincial Treasurer of New York, and to be sold for the estate of the late Jas. A. Bancker, New York, embracing the largest Collection of Pre-Revolutionary and Revolutionary Broadsides Relating to New York City and State that has ever been offered for sale and Historical Relics, Continental Money, Portraits, Bust of Washington, &c."

344. EVERT BANCKER (343) was baptized in Albany, Aug. 10, 1734. He married, Oct. 20, 1772, Ann Taylor, a daughter

of John Taylor and Anna Nuttell, *née* Nicoll. He is mentioned in documents as Evert Bancker, Jr. This was at first puzzling, but it was evidently a means used to distinguish him from his older and more prominent cousin Evert, son of Christopher,* as both were living and doing business in the city of New York. Evert seems to have been living in the north ward in 1790, at which time he owned one slave. He was a surveyor and laid out the estate of James De Lancey into city lots in 1804. This tract was sold under forfeiture by the attainder of James De Lancey and was located between the East River, Rivington St., and Stuyvesant's Bowery. Evert died before 1831, when his widow made her will. This will of the widow was not probated until May 16, 1860, but proof of death is dated Oct. 27, 1840. Evert had at least two children and probably more:

Maria De Peyster;
Charles Nicoll.

Maria married George Washington Talbot, a son of Commodore Silas Talbot of the Revolution. She had at least one son, Charles Nicoll, who died in 1874. The latter had also at least one son, William Richmond, the father of Arnold G. Talbot now living in Wickford, R. I.

Charles married Sarah W. ——— and moved to Philadelphia, Pa. He was a vestryman of the United Episcopal Churches in 1813 to 1827. He undoubtedly had children, and either a son or a grandson, William W. Bancker, moved from Philadelphia to Newburgh, N. Y., where he died between May 13 and June 17, 1875. The latter mentions in his will "relatives Charles Nicoll Bancker Camac of Philadelphia; William Camac; and a niece, Sarah Morsell of Philadelphia." James A. Bancker referred to above on page 281 was probably a brother of William W. He died the latter part of October, 1897, and mentions in his will "Anna E. Steffens *née* Balche, wife of Franz S. Steffens of Hamburg, Germany, being the daughter of my late wife." He also mentions two nieces, Sarah B. Morsell and Annie B. Beasley, and others, doubtless relatives, Annie B. Rowland, Anne B. Nicoll, and Violetta Talbot.

The whole record of Evert's descendants could doubtless readily be obtained, but I have not followed them up.

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* See page 249.

345. JOHN BANCKER (343) was baptized in Albany Feb. 22, 1738. He married in New York, June 6, 1764, Altje Mesnard, probably a daughter of Francis Mesnard and Alida Van Deursen. He seems to have lived in Little Dock St., New York City, and in 1776, 310 pounds of sash leads were taken from his house by order of the Convention for public use. At the beginning of the War he was 2d lieutenant of Rangers in the 1st Battalion of New York under Col. Lasher and voted with sixteen other officers to enter the Continental service as a battalion. He obtained a captain's commission Oct. 4, 1776, but being displeased with some of the field officers he refused to join his battalion and entered a complaint against the officers. An investigation resulted in an exoneration of the officers and he withdrew his complaint. His position in the battalion, however, having been filled he became an independent captain. Toward the close of the war he seems to have been living in the vicinity of Poughkeepsie and in Ulster county. He appears to have been the head of a class in Col. Johannes Jansen's Reg't of Ulster county and is described as of "Lattentown in New Marlborough Precinct, Ulster Co., N. Y." In 1785, he signed a Land Bounty Right together with his son Francis M., his second son, Gerard, also signing as a witness. The John here described could not have been his son, as John, Jr., could not have been more than five or six years old at this time.

It is difficult to decide how many and what children John had, the records being scattered and fragmentary. He undoubtedly had by his wife Altje at least two children:

Francis Mesnard, bp. Apr. 8, 1765;
Gerhardus, bp. Oct. 26, 1766.

He appears to have married second Catharine Stevens, by whom he had at least two children:*

John, bo. June 13, 1781;
Elizabeth, bo. July 17, 1784.

He also had a daughter:

Susanna, bo. date not known, nor by which wife.

Francis was living probably with his father in Ulster county near the close of the war. He was hired by his class of the Fourth Reg't of Ulster county militia under Col. Johannes Jansen to serve in the Levies. The class transferred to him all their interest

* See page 355.

in the Land Bounty Right of 200 acres of land. Under this arrangement, Francis was mustered in as a private Apr. 30, 1782, and served to Jan. 1, 1783, in Capt. John L. Hardenburgh's Co of Lieut-Col. Frederick Weissenfel's Reg't of Levies.* Nothing further was learned of him.

Gerard appears as a witness to the papers in the above transaction concerning his brother, but no further trace of him has been found.

John was traced no further.†

Elizabeth has been traced no further.

Susanna married Benjamin Ayerigg, a son of Benjamin Ayerigg, a merchant of New York, who was active in obtaining

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* Under an act of the Legislature of New York State passed the 23d of March, 1782, it was provided to complete the Line of the state in the service of the United States and also to raise two regiments of Levies for the defence of the Frontiers of the State by offering as bounty 200 acres of unappropriated land. This was done by organizing the state militia regiments into classes and requiring each class to furnish an able-bodied man, the title to the land then being given to the class. The two regiments of Levies thus raised were those of Col. Frederick Weissenfels and Col. John Harper, which did good service on the western frontier and in the Mohawk valley.

† The following incident, related by Peter S. Palmer in his History of Lake Champlain, may pertain to him, but it is not certain. The incident occurred at the beginning of the War of 1812, probably in that year.

"Among the many contrivances of the smugglers to escape detection was the following. John Banker, Jr., a resident of New York City, who had obtained from the collector of that port a commission authorizing him to fit out a privateer on Lake Champlain, equipped a small sail-boat of less than one ton burthen, which he called the Privateer Lark, and which was provided with an armament of three muskets. In this boat the Captain cruised around the Lake, threatening vengeance to the enemies of his country. Indeed he carried his ardor so far on one occasion as to fire into the Essex ferry boat, while it was crossing the lake, fifty miles south of the Canada line.

"After a profitless cruise in the vicinity of Burlington, the gallant Captain would run down to Rouses Point, and boldly lay at anchor upon the borders of Canada, until some hostile barge loaded with goods should incautiously run within range of his muskets. The approach of the barge was the signal of attack, and doubtless many a bloody battle would have been fought upon the quiet waters of Rouses Point Bay had not the enemy surrendered at the first appearance of the Captain's guns.

"The property thus forcibly captured by an armed privateer was now beyond the revenue officers. Captain Banker's next step was to appoint some trusty confederate as prize master, in whose possession he placed the captured property, with written instructions to deposit it in the government store houses at New York. When the prize master reached New York, he delivered the goods to the owners for whom they had been smuggled, upon receiving the stipulated price of transportation. As soon as the government officers ascertained that the goods did not reach the public store houses they seized the Lark, and thus put an end to privateering on Lake Champlain."

the removal of the bones of the victims of the infamous British prison ship Jersey and their proper burial in 1808. She had at least three children: Benjamin, born in New York Sept. 28, 1804, known as Colonel and who died at Lakewood, N. J., Feb. 2, 1895; John Bancker, born July 9, 1798, who was a physician; and a daughter, who married Capt. John Bogert Pell.

346. JOHANNES BANCKER (301) is mentioned in his father's will, from which it appears that he was probably the youngest son and was living with his father on his farm in Guilderland. He is said to have been born Feb. 20, 1712. He married Magdalena Veeder, a daughter of Gerrit Seymonse Veeder and Catrina ——— and hence a sister of Annatje, who married his brother William.* He appears to have continued living on his father's farm on the Normanskill. He had at least three children:

347. Elizabeth, bp. June 7, 1735;
348. Gerrit, bp. Feb. 27, 1737;
(A girl), died before baptism.

347. ELIZABETH BANCKER (346) was baptized in Schenectady June 7, 1735. She married, Sept. 25, 1755, Simon H. Veeder, a son of Helmers Veeder. She was his first wife and must have died between 1774 and 1783. In the latter year he married second Margaret Pootman, by whom he had at least one daughter, Elizabeth, born Apr. 1, 1784. The children of Elizabeth Bancker were:

Helmer, bo. Feb. 1, 1756; died young;
Helmer, bo. Feb. 11, 1759;
Magdalena, bo. Mar. 4, 1764;
Johannes, bo. Oct. 12, 1766;
Simon, bo. July 10, 1774.

Of these children only Johannes has been traced any further. He married, Dec. 30, 1797, Elizabeth De Graaf, a daughter of Andries De Graaf. He had four children: Simon, born July 5, 1798; Andries, born May 9, 1801, and died young; Nicholas, born Apr. 7, 1803; and Andries, born Aug. 8, 1806.

348. GERRIT BANCKER (346) was baptized in Schenectady, N. Y., Feb. 27, 1737. He married, Sept. 15, 1755, Hester Van

* See page 266.

Arnhem, a daughter of John Van Arnhem of Albany. He was a soldier in the Revolution and served in Capt. Bastian T. Vischer's Company of Col. Philip P. Schuyler's Regt. As early as Aug. 20, 1757, he received a commission as ensign in the first Battalion of the Albany county militia under the command of Sir William Johnson, Bar't, as Colonel. He seems to have been living in Watervliet in 1790, when he owned two slaves. He died Aug. 8, 1803, and was buried in the Reformed Dutch church-yard at Schenectady.* His wife died Jan. 2, 1822, aged 88 years. He had four children:

Magdalena, bp. May 11, 1756;
Elizabeth, bp. Aug. 21, 1760;
349. Johannes, bp. Dec. 25, 1764;
Catarina, bp. Dec. 20, 1767.

Magdalena married, Jan. 12, 1778, Isaac Vrooman, a son of Adam Vrooman. She had at least three children: Adam, born Oct. 28, 1778; Hester, born Aug. 2, 1784; and Susanna, born Oct. 2, 1793. The family has been traced no further.

Elizabeth possibly married Gerrit Quackenbush and had at least one child, Ann, born Mar. 1, 1797.

Catharina probably married Isaac A. Quackenbush, a lawyer who seems to have lived in Erie, Pa., but died in Schenectady, N. Y., Apr. 26, 1841, aged 74 years. If this assumption is correct, she died at Erie, Pa., Apr. 8, 1850, said to be aged 96 years.† She had the following children: Magdalene, born Aug. 5, 1789, died Jan. 21, 1790; John Bancker, born Dec. 12, 1790; Magdalene, born May 3, 1793; Anthony, born Aug. 7, 1795; and Esther, born Feb. 4, 1803.

349. John Banker (348) was baptized in Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 25, 1764. Family records give his birth as Nov. 20, 1765. He married, Mar. 15, 1788, Annatje Ouderkerk, who was born Sept. 3, 1770, a daughter of Pieter and Matilda Ouderkerk. He appears to have succeeded to the ancestral estate in Guilderland, at least he lived on the Normanskill, but later at

* All of the bodies have been removed from this yard.

† If this age is correct, she could not have been the Catharina who was the daughter of Gerrit. Pearson calls her, doubtfully, the daughter of John Banker of Normanskill, that is, Gerrit's father (see page 285). This appears from her age improbable even if she had been over a hundred. Moreover, it is not shown that that John Bancker had a daughter Catharine.

Glenville, Schenectady Co. He died Mar. 30, 1826, and his wife, Anna, died Aug. 27, 1832. Either he or his father dropped the c from his name. He had eight children as follows:

350. Gerrit, bo. Mar. 26, 1789;
Alida, bo. June 30, 1791;
354. Peter, bo. Jan. 18, 1794;
356. John, bo. Aug. 17, 1796;
Esther, bo. Apr. 3, 1799;
357. Isaac, bo. Apr. 1, 1802;
358. Abraham, bo. Nov. 2, 1805;
Matilda, bo. Dec. 20, 1812.

Alida married first Henry Ward and second John D. Ogsbury. She died aged 65 yrs., 8 mos., and 12 dys. Nothing could be learned of her family.

Esther, or Hesther, married a Barhydt. She had several children, one of whom married William Young of Albany and another married Henry Shepheard. The latter had a son, Edward, who is said to be employed in Whitney & Co.'s store, Albany.

Matilda married a Potter of Albany. Nothing further was learned of her.

350. Gerrit Banker (349) was born in Schenectady, N. Y., Mar. 26, 1789. He married Elizabeth Van Slyck. In early life he was a boat-captain on Lake Ontario and enlisted in the War of 1812. After the war he settled at Ogdensburgh, N. Y., and later moved across into Canada, living for a time at Picton on the shore of Quinty Bay. Although he spent the remainder of his life in Canada, he never took the oath of allegiance to the British crown, and in consequence drew his pension as a veteran of the War of 1812 from the United States. In 1832 he moved to Tweed, in Hastings county, where he located on heavily timbered land, having all the trials and hardships of a pioneer in a primitive forest. He cleared up a farm here, on which he lived the rest of his life. He was a famous hunter. About 1869 his home was burned and all his records were destroyed. He died a few years later. He had at least seven children as follows, but the order of age is not certain:

Angelica, died unmarried, aged 75 years;
351. Maria;

352. Alida Ann;
353. Albert, bo. Nov. 18, 1826;
Garret;
John, the youngest, died unmarried, aged 19 years.

Garret married Eliza Clarke* and is still living on a farm at Kaladar, Ontario, Canada. He has three children as follows: a son, Albert, who is still living unmarried, and is a bookkeeper: a daughter, Margaret, who married Hugh Bishop and lives on a farm at Cloyne, Ontario; and a second daughter, whose name could not be learned, living at home with her parents.

351. Maria Banker (350) married James Hicks Comer. He died in 1861 and she died in 1877. She had three sons:
John Garret;
James Albert;
Billa Flint.

John G. married Sarah Provost. He is living at Tweed, Canada, and has one daughter, Norma, who married Harold Fuller Corbett, but has no children.

James married Sarah Ann Kincaide and has two children: Ernest, who is unmarried; and Bella, who married a Robinson. James and his family are all living somewhere in Minnesota.

Billa married first Anna Nugent and had two children: John Wesley, who is living unmarried; and Lillian, who died in 1901, unmarried, aged twenty years. He married second Eliza Jane Graham, by whom he has had one daughter, Nellie Carman, living unmarried. Billa lives at Port Arthur, Canada.

352. Alida Ann Banker (350) was born in Canada. She married in March, 1842, William Downing. Her husband was a native of the City of Dublin, Ireland, and migrated to Hastings county, Canada, when he was fourteen years old. At the time of his marriage he was in the lumber business and resided at Downings Rapids, where he owned mills. He purchased the first circular saws used in that part of the country, bringing them from New York City. For many years he made annual trips to Quebec in the interests of his business and often shipped his lumber direct to the Liverpool ship-builders. He died in

* One correspondent says he married a Miss Humphrey.

Cheboygan, Mich., Feb. 22, 1874, aged 65 years and 7 months. Alida died May 31, 1853. She had three children as follows:

John, bo. Dec. 7, 1842;
Elizabeth, bo. Apr. 25, 1844;
William Garret, bo. Nov. 25, 1845.

John married at Toronto, Canada, June 9, 1882, Charlotte Eliza Breeze. He died June 4, 1906. He had four children: Tracy Wilkinson, born April 10, 1883, at St. Regis Falls, N. Y.; Claire Spence, born April 16, 1887, at Brandon, N. Y.; Cecil Edward, born Dec. 15, 1888, at Brandon; and Max Breeze, born July 19, 1892, at Forestport, N. Y.

Elizabeth married, Sept. 28, 1875, Dr. John M. Wilkinson, a physician, who was born June 28, 1845. She lives in Evart, Mich., and has one daughter, Nellie Banker, born July 29, 1881.

William disappeared from Michigan about 1879 and has never been heard from since.

353. Albert Banker (350) was born at Picton, Ontario, Canada, Nov. 18, 1826. He married, May 26, 1854, Florilla J. Comer, who was born in Ontario Nov. 30, 1834, a daughter of John Comer and Ruth Clement. In early life he worked in the lumber regions of Canada, farming in the summer on the old homestead near Tweed. At about the time of his marriage he built a mill and a residence near Bridgewater. After a few years he moved back to Tweed, purchasing a farm, where he lived until May, 1864, when he removed to Sarnia on the Canada side of the St. Clair River, and in September he moved on into the States to Waupun in Fond du Lac county, Wisconsin. In the fall of 1867 he settled on a farm near Rosendale, and in December, 1870, moved to Appleton. The next April a colony was being formed to locate at Russell, Kan. He decided to join it. The company started in May and the next month arrived in Audubon county, Iowa, where they tarried for a time. The reports received here were so discouraging that Mr. Banker decided not to go on into Kansas and later in the summer he settled on a homestead in Cass county, where he remained until 1879, when he followed his son, Louis, to Russell, Kan., and engaged in the livery and hotel business. He retained the livery business until 1903, when he retired from active work and is still living in Russell. He has had eleven children:

Eugenie, bo. Jan. 29, 1855;
John Garret, bo. Feb. 25, 1857;
Louis, bo. May 2, 1858;
Willard Henry, bo. Jan. 23, 1861;
James Dudley, bo. Mar. 4, 1863;
Lottie, bo. Dec. 31, 1866;
Albert Edwin, bo. May 10, 1868;
Charles Arthur, bo. July 11, 1870;
Inez Maude, bo. Feb. 16, 1872;
Rosswell Clyde, bo. Feb. 25, 1875; d. 1878;
Georgiana, bo. Aug., 1879; d. Aug. 3, 1882.

Eugenie married Jan. 1, 1875, Emery Lewis and lives at Gering, Neb. She has had eleven children as follows; Alfred H., Lillian, who married W. H. Frazier of Russell, Kan., Dora, Roy, Myrtle, Lottie, Floyd, Faye, Ruby, Alberta, and Glen.

John G. was born in Tweed, Canada, and married Mar. 20, 1884, Rebecca Vanderbur. He is sheriff of Russell county, Kan. He has three children; Beatrice, Glen V., and Marjorie.

Louis was born in Bridgewater, Canada, and married, at Lyons, Kan., July 20, 1890, Anna May Culbertson, who was born in Stark county, Ohio, Jan. 6, 1867, a daughter of Milo R. Culbertson and Lucinda N. Wilson. Louis lived with his father until in December, 1876, when he left the homestead in Cass county, Iowa, and went to Russell, Kan., where he entered the employ of his uncle, George A. Hart, in a general store. In September, 1881, he with Roy S. Giddings of Romulus, N. Y., organized the firm of Giddings & Banker, general merchants. In January, 1890, Giddings sold his interest to Harvey J. Penney and E. B. Savage, and the business was continued under the firm name of L. Banker and Company with some changes in personnel until January, 1906, when the L. Banker Mercantile Company was organized under a state charter, with Louis Banker as president, James D. Banker, vice-president, F. R. Culbertson, secretary-treasurer. This corporation still exists. In 1889, Louis was elected city councilman for two terms. He was again elected in 1907 and still holds the office. On Nov. 3, 1908, he was elected representative from the 86th District to the Kansas Legislature for the session of 1909. He served on the Ways and Means and several other important committees in that session. He was a

member of the first Public Library Board of Russell and has been a stockholder in the Russell State Bank since its organization. He is a Knight Templar and a Shriner and has always been interested in athletics, having actively participated in baseball for thirty-five years. He has four children: Frances Almona, born May 18, 1891; Louis Waldo, born June 18, 1893; Dean Culbertson, born May 16, 1895; and Theodora, born Feb. 10, 1905.

Willard is unmarried and lives in Los Angeles, California.

James D. married, July 27, 1887, Nora B. Roth. He is associated with his brother, Louis, in business in Russell, being vice-president of the L. Banker Mercantile Company. He has had but one child, Clyde Alonzo, born Oct. 30, 1888, and died April 7, 1907.

Lottie married, in 1883, Alfred Lewis. She died without issue July 4, 1892. Her husband is also dead.

Albert E. was born at Rosendale, Wis. He came to Russell, Kan., with his father in 1879. In 1893 he enlisted in the United States Army 1st Cavalry Band and was stationed at Ft. Custer, Montana. He was then transferred to Ft. Grant, Arizona, and in 1896 joined the United States Marine Band at Washington, D. C., which position he still holds. He married, Aug. 23, 1905, Maude McKinney. He has one son, Russell Ellsworth, born Nov. 16, 1906.

Charles was born in Rosendale and moved to Russell in 1879. After graduating from the public school he became a clerk in the general store of Giddings and Banker. In 1893 he went to Wibeaux, Mont., and was employed for five years in the mercantile firm of Cannon & Orgain. He then entered the bank at Glendive, Mont. Soon after, the bank being reorganized, he was chosen cashier, being a fourth owner. In 1908 a branch bank was started at Wibeaux of which he was elected president. He has held the office of city treasurer of Glendive for three years. He married, Nov. 22, 1906, Mary Kelly and has one son, Llewellyn William, born Sept. 12, 1907.

Inez married Samuel J. Wills and has one son, Banker.

354. Peter Banker (349) was born Jan. 18, 1794. He married first, Feb. 3, 1816, Hester Van Voast, a daughter of Gershom Van Voast. She died Nov. 20, 1832, aged 39 years, 9

mos., and 26 dys., and Peter married second, Susanna De Graaf, who was born Mar. 29, 1793, a daughter of Isaac De Graaf, who died in 1844. Susanna was killed by the cars, June 29, 1855, being run over and having the right arm and right leg torn off. The accident occurred about 8 o'clock in the morning. She lived until 1 o'clock in the afternoon and made her will, remembering numerous friends and relatives with legacies and keepsakes. Peter died in September, 1873. He had eight children, all by his first wife, as follows:

Eleanor, bo. Sept. 2, 1816;
Annaliza, bo. Oct. 13, 1818; d. Aug. 22, 1832;
Alida, bo. Dec. 24, 1820;
Gershom Van Voast, bo. Feb. 2, 1823; d. May 6, 1823;
John Nelson, bo. Apr. 5, 1824;
355. Gershom, bo. May 22, 1826.
Maria, bo. Nov. 19, 1825; d. Oct. 6, 1831;
Sarah Margaret, bo. Mar. 22, 1831; d. Aug. 24, 1832.

Eleanor married, July 26, 1845, a man by the name of Skinner. He was an importer of cloth in the firm of Hook Skinner & Co. in New York City. Eleanor had one son, Louis J., who married Lizzie Bradley of New York. Nothing further was learned of this family.

Alida married William Van Vranken and had two children: Hester Anna, who married Max Ellis and is said to live at 290 Lark St., Albany; and William, who died unmarried. I was unable to get communication with Mrs. Ellis.

John N. married Anna O'Neil. He was county clerk of Schenectady county from May 1, 1861, until his death, Nov. 16, 1863. He had three children; Garret Nelson, Eleanor Elizabeth, and Isabella. The latter is said to be living in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., but a letter addressed there brought no reply.

355. Gershom Banker (354) was born in Schenectady May 22, 1826. He married, Oct. 14, 1852, Ellen Gertrude Cushney, who was born June 27, 1832, a daughter of Richard H. Cushney and Mary Brevoort Henry. Gershom was a member of Assembly from Schenectady in the 93d and 94th sessions, serving from Jan. 4, 1870, to Apr. 21, 1871. He was for many years connected with the New York Central Railroad and with the Emigration Bureau. The beautiful pulpit and screen of

the First Reformed Dutch Church of Schenectady, N. Y., were presented by him in honor of his mother. He died Jan. 16, 1907, at his home in Fonda, N. Y. His widow is now (1909) living there. He had five children as follows:

Richard Cushney, bo. Mar. 16, 1854; d. Aug. 6, 1854;
Mary Cushney, bo. Aug. 1, 1855; d. July 22, 1859;
Eleanor Alida, bo. Feb. 9, 1858;
Carleton, bo. Aug. 2, 1860;
Grace Livingston, bo. Sept. 22, 1863.

Eleanor is living at home with her mother, unmarried.

Carleton married, Dec. 12, 1893, Ada Lee Wooster, who was born Feb. 18, 1864, a daughter of Jonathan Wooster and Mary Ann Lee. He is superintendent of the electric division of the Fonda, Johnstown, and Gloversville Railroad, with his office at Gloversville. He has two children: Marian Gertrude, born Sept. 30, 1894; and Helen Wooster, born Feb. 18, 1900.

Grace married, Oct. 9, 1895, Eli Pierson Yost, who was born Feb. 7, 1867, a son of Daniel Yost and Emily Pierson. Her husband died July 13, 1901. She is living, but has no children.

356. John Banker (349) was born Aug. 17, 1796, and married, Feb. 1, 1818, Gertrude Lambert, who was born July 19, 1799, a daughter of John Lambert and Gertrude Steers. He was a building contractor and lived first at Guilderland, where he was probably born, and afterwards in Schenectady, N. Y. He died July 26, 1864, and his wife died Jan. 19, 1874. He had six children as follows:

John H., bo. July 20, 1820;
David C., bo. Oct. 20, 1822;
Gertrude J., bo. Nov. 3, 1826;
William J., bo. Sept. 25, 1835;
Alida Ann, bo. Oct. 7, 1837;
Charles N., bo. Jan. 17, 1842.

John H. married, Sept. 13, 1839, Jane S. Wilcox. He engaged in the cigar business and lived in Schenectady and finally in Auburn, N. Y. His wife died Feb. 14, 1895, and he died Nov. 21, 1896. He had no children, but adopted a girl, Gertrude J., who married Vedder Bath of Alplans, N. Y.

David C. married, in 1847, Ann R. Smith. He was a build-

ing contractor in New York City. His wife died in 1854 and he died Nov. 22, 1889. He had three children as follows: Gertrude J., born May 7, 1849, and died in 1853; Emma, born Nov. 14, 1851, and now living in Rutland, Vt.; and Kate, born July, 1852, and died May 22, 1901.

Gertrude J. married, in November, 1847, Jacob Frank. Her husband died in 1857 and she is living in Schenectady. She has one child, Gertrude Jane, born May 26, 1849, and now living in Schenectady.

William J. married, Feb. 22, 1869, Ella Clayton. He is a building contractor and lives in Freehold, N. J. He has three children: Josie, born Apr. 18, 1884; John C.; and Etta E.

Alida married, Jan. 21, 1858, John J. Hart, who was born May 5, 1836, a son of Lawrence Hart and Genevieve Noble. Mr. Hart is a merchant, and he and his wife live at 423 Liberty St., Schenectady, N. Y. They have five children: David E., born Nov. 3, 1859; Edward W., born Dec. 19, 1860; Minnie F., born Dec. 13, 1865; William B., born July 8, 1868, and died May 12, 1882; and Gertrude B., born May 31, 1871.

Charles N. married, Aug. 7, 1867, Martha J. Coleman. He is a building contractor in New York City. He has had four children as follows: Walter C., who died in April, 1904, Grace V. O., Charles N., and Alida A.

357. Isaac Banker (349) was born Apr. 1, 1802.* He married, Sept. 20, 1827, Margaret Elizabeth Van Ingen, a daughter of Henry Glen Van Ingen. He was a blacksmith and lived for many years at 19 College St., Schenectady, where he died June 26, 1877. He had a family of ten children as follows:

Anna, bo. Dec. 25, 1289;
William Henry, bo. Sept. 25, 1831;
John, bo. Oct. 16, 1833;
Jerome B.;
Isaac;
Edward;
Elizabeth;
Lillie, bo. Nov. 20, 1847;
Catharine;
Grace Walton, bo. Mar. 5, 1854; d. Aug. 21, 1854.

* Also given as 1801.

Anna married, Sept. 29, 1858, Edwin Wemple. She died Jan. 17, 1859, and her husband afterward married her sister, Lillie. It is not known that she had any children.

William married and had two sons. He died Jan. 20, 1896. His sons were William Henry, who is dead, and Gershom, who lives on Brandywine Ave., Schenectady, N. Y.

John married, Dec. 2, 1868, Rhoena Augusta Ahreet, who was born Aug. 22, 1846, a daughter of Amos B. Ahreet and Rhoena Hunt. He was a conductor and general freight accountant for the N. Y. C. Railroad and lived in Albany, where he died June 19, 1902. His widow is now (1907) living there. He had four children as follows: Charles Wendell, born Oct. 30, 1869; Mable, born Jan. 26, 1871, and died July, 1871; John, born Oct. 31, 1877, and died in 1880; and Mark Ahreet, born in 1879 and died in 8 months. Charles is in the insurance business and is not married.

Jerome never married.

Isaac lives in Brooklyn at 231 Mt. Vernon St. He is married but has no family.

Edward lives in New York and has one son.

Elizabeth married C. B. Meeker, who was a ticket agent of the N. Y. C. Railroad in Albany for many years. Elizabeth is dead. She had one daughter, Anna, who married Dr. Kathan and lives on Union St., a little below Jay, in Albany.

Lillie married, Oct. 10, 1873, Edwin Wemple, her sister's husband. He was born Jan. 10, 1822, a son of Ephraim Wemple and Martha Earle. He died Nov. 15, 1900. Lillie is living at 508 Union St., Schenectady, and has had two children: Jay Cady, born Aug. 16, 1873; and Earl Banker, born Feb. 1, 1876, and died Feb. 15, 1896. Jay married, Oct. 30, 1901, Anna Lansing Teller.

Catharine married William I. McMullin and lives at 5328 Greenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill. She has two daughters.

358. Abraham Banker (349) was born Nov. 2, 1805. He married Catharine Shutts and lived in Ephratah, N. Y., as early as 1828. He was living in 1859 and his wife in 1856. He had at least two children:

Peter J., bo. June 12, 1835;
Nancy.

Peter married, Sept. 1, 1856, Harriet Dunk, who was born Feb. 18, 1835, a daughter of John and Jane Dunk. He was a carpenter. He enlisted Sept. 5, 1864, as a private in Co. K, 142d N. Y. Vol. Inf., for the Civil War. He was killed Oct. 27 of the same year in front of Richmond. He had four children: John Abraham; Charles Isaac, born June 8, 1860; Francis; and Gershom P. They are all dead except Charles, who lives at 169 Mason St., Milwaukee, Wis. He was married Dec. 24, 1882, but has no children. He is proprietor of the Banker Wire and Iron Works, 142 West Water St.

Nancy married a Reeves and was living in Newburgh, N. Y., in 1903.

CHAPTER XXIII.

THE DE PEYSTER FAMILY.*

359. Anna Bancker (300) was born and baptized in Albany April 1, 1670. She married in Albany, Oct. 10,† 1688, Johannes De Peyster, who was born Sept. 21, 1666, in New York. He was a son of Johannes De Peyster and Cornelia Lubberts. After their marriage they removed to New York, where he became the mayor of the city in 1698. He died Sept. 25, 1711. Anna was living in 1735, but the date of her death is not known. She had twelve children as follows:

Johannes, bp. July 24, 1689; died young;
Gerardus, bp. Jan. 23, 1691; died young;
360. Elizabeth, bp. Sept. 25, 1692;
362. Johannes, bp. Jan. 14, 1693;
Cornelia, bp. Dec. 15, 1695;
Gerard, bp. Oct. 10, 1697;
Anna, bp. Jan. 24, 1700;
William, bp. Oct. 16, 1701; died young;
Abraham, bp. Feb. 27, 1704; died young;
Maria, bp. Jan. 20, 1706;
368. William, bp. May 8, 1709;
369. Catharine, bp. July 22, 1711.

Cornelia married first Matthew Clarkson and second Gilbert Tennent and had six children: Catharine, who was born Jan. 20, 1720, and married Samuel Hazard; John, who married Rachel West; Matthew, who was born Apr. 15, ——, and married Mary Bourd; Ann, who was born Sept. 17, 1727, and married the Rev. Samuel Finley; Cornelia; and Gerard, who married Mary Flowers.

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* A considerable portion of this account of the descendants of Anna Bancker is taken from the "De Peyster Genealogy," a small work compiled by General John Watts De Peyster about 1854 and which he admitted in a private letter to the writer was full of errors. The list of the descendants of Johannes De Peyster and Anna Bancker he obtained chiefly from "The Genealogy of the Bancker Family" previously mentioned (see page 241), to which the General made some additions.

† Also given as Sept. 21.

Gerard married first Mary Octave and second M. Oakes and had one son, John, and one daughter, Anna.

Anna married first John Van Taerling and second Hero Ellis, and had probably four children, of whom Elizabeth is supposed to have married a Vandermonter.

Maria married her cousin, Gerardus Bancker. For her issue see page 280.

360. Elizabeth De Peyster (359) was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York Sept. 25, 1692. She married first Jacobus Beekman, M. D., who was born Aug. 7, 1687, at Flatbush, L. I., a son of Gerard Beekman, M. D., and Magdalen Abeel. He died Sept. 14, 1730, and Elizabeth married second Abraham Boelen, a son of Hendrick Boelen and probably Antie Berents. Abraham was a merchant of New York. He made his will in 1735 and it was probated July 15, 1742. Elizabeth had four children by her first husband as follows:

Anatje, bo. Oct. 12, 1716; died without issue;
Gerardus, bo. Sept. 2, 1718;
361. John, bo. Nov. 12, 1720;
Jacobus, bo. Dec. 12, 1722; died without issue.

By her second husband she had:

Anna, bo. Sept. 18, 1726; died young;
Elizabeth, bo. Apr. 4, 1728;
Henricus, bo. Feb. 5, 1730; died without issue;
Anna, bo. June 18, 1733.

Gerardus married first Mary Beekman and had two children, both of whom died young. After his wife's death he married second Ann Doran of Albany and by her had three children; Peter, Ann, and Gerardus K. These were traced no further.

Elizabeth and Anna married their second cousins, Evert and Adrian Bancker. For their lines see pages 249 and 253.

361. John Beekman (360) was born in New York, Nov. 12, 1720. He married Elizabeth Ellsworth, a daughter of Theophylus Ellsworth of New York. He is believed also to have married an Ettesman, but nothing is known of his second marriage. He had at least eight children as follows:

Johannes, bp. May 4, 1746; died young;
Johannes, bp. Dec. 27, 1747;

Theophilus, bp. Feb. 15, 1749;
Gerardus, bp. Nov. 7, 1750;
Thomas, bp. Nov. 3, 1751; died young;
Thomas, bp. Aug. 15, 1753;
Pieter, bp. Aug. 21, 1754;
James.

James married Sarah Lefferts, a daughter of Dirck Lefferts, and lived in New York.

Gerardus married Sarah Paine.

John married Kisse Gile and had no issue.

Thomas married Sarah Mathews.

Theophilus married Elizabeth Mathews and had two children: Elizabeth, who married James Henry; and Theophilus, who lived in Hudson, N. Y., in 1851. None of the above were traced any further.

362. John De Peyster (359) was born in New York Jan. 14, 1694.* He married Ann Schuyler. He had at least two daughters:

363. Anna, bo. Mar. 28, 1723;
367. Rachel, bp. May 30, 1728.

363. Anna De Peyster (362) was born Mar. 28, 1723. She married, May 20, 1742, Volckert P. Douw, who was born May 23, 1720. He was a son of Petrus Douw and Anna Van Rensselaer and a great-grandson of Captain Volckert Jansen Douw, the emigrant. He was recorder of the city of Albany from 1750 to 1760; was member of the Colonial General Assembly from Oct. 17, 1759, to Feb. 6, 1768; was assistant judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1757; was mayor of Albany and clerk of the market from 1761 to 1763; was vice-president of the first Provincial Congress in 1775; and was appointed one of the Committee of Safety May 4, 1775. He was state senator from 1786 to 1793 and for many years held the office of county judge. He died Mar. 20, 1801. His wife died June 14, 1794. She had nine children as follows:

Anna, bo. Mar. 25, 1743;
Ragel, bo. Feb. 8, 1744;
Myndert Schuyler, bo. Dec. 12, 1746; d. Aug. 4, 1747;

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* According to the "Bancker Genealogy."

Magdalena, bo. Oct. 10, 1748; d. Oct. 8, 1749;
Magdalena, bo. May 25, 1750;
Catrienna, bo. Nov. 6, 1751;
John De Peyster, bo. May 6, 1754; d. July 25, 1755;
364. John De Peyster, bo. Jan. 20, 1756;
Maria, bo. Oct. 4, 1760.

Anna married, Nov. 25, 1751, Dirck Ten Broeck and died Feb. 18, 1774.

Rachel married, Sept. 18 (or Nov. 16), 1765, Henry I. Van Rensselaer and died Aug. 27, 1799.

Magdalena married, Aug. 30, 1770, John Stevenson and died Dec. 20, 1817.

Catrienna married, Oct. 25, 1775, Harmanus Hoffman.

Maria married her cousin, John De Peyster Ten Eyck. For her issue see page 304.

364. John De Peyster Douw (363) was born in Albany Jan. 20, 1756. He married, Dec. 23, 1787, Deborah Beeckman, who was born Nov. 26, 1763, a daughter of Johannes J. Beeckman and Maria Sanders. She died July 23, 1791, and he married second, Dec. 20, 1795, Margaret Livingston, who was born June 3, 1768, a daughter of Peter R. Livingston and Margaret Livingston. She died Jan. 21, 1802, and he married third, Jan. 22, 1811, Catharine D. Gansevoort, who was born May 11, 1782, a daughter of Leonard Gansevoort and Maria Van Rensselaer. The last wife outlived her husband and died Apr. 13, 1848. Mr. Douw graduated from Yale College in 1777 and took active part with the colonists in the Revolution. He was in Sullivan's Expedition against the Indians of Western New York in 1779. In 1782 he was appointed surrogate of Albany county and in 1788 became a city alderman. He died Feb. 22, 1835. He had by his first wife one child:

365. Volckert P., bo. Apr. 10, 1790;

By his second wife he had three children:

Ann De Peyster, bo. Jan. 31, 1797;
Margaret Livingston, bo. Nov. 26, 1798;
Louisa, bo. July 11, 1801; d. Apr. 20, 1802.

By his third wife he had four children:

John De Peyster, bo. Dec. 16, 1812;
Mary, bo. Sept. 3, 1815; d. Sept. 28, 1816;

366. Catharine Louisa, bo. Sept. 10, 1817;
Harriet Maria, bo. June 13, 1824.

Ann married first Samuel S. Lush and second William Cuyler. She died Aug. 15, 1871. She had two children, both of whom died young.

Margaret married, Nov. 14, 1844, Alanson Abbey, M. D., of Boston, Mass. She died Apr. 5, 1878, leaving no issue.

John D. married first, Apr. 12, 1837, Margaret S. Van Rensselaer, a daughter of Stephen Van Rensselaer; and second, Mar. 16, 1854, Marianne Chandler Lanman, who was born Nov. 13, 1826, a daughter of Hon. Charles James Lanman and Marie Jeane Guie. He and his family lived at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in 1883. He had two children by his first wife: Henry Augustus, born Jan. 21, 1840, and died Feb. 23, 1854; and Harriet Van Rensselaer, born Mar. 20, 1842, and died Aug. 31, 1862. By his second wife he had: Mary Lanman, born May 22, 1855; Margaret Livingston, born Mar. 3, 1858; Charles Gibbons, born Apr. 24, 1860; Helen Louise, born July 30, 1862; and Henry Chandler, born Oct. 25, 1864, and died Oct. 15, 1873. Mary married, Sept. 4, 1879, Morris Patterson Ferris, a son of Isaac Ferris, D.D., LL.D. She had a daughter, Mary Van Rensselaer, born Aug. 28, 1880.

Harriet married, Nov. 1, 1847, William Clarkson Johnson. She died Mar. 28, 1852, and he married second Mary Louisa Adams, by whom he had three children. His second wife died and he married third Mary Cornella, by whom he had two children. Harriet had one son, Alexander B., who married, Sept. 3, 1873, Mary Knight Bourne of New York.

365. Volckert P. Douw (364) was born in Albany Apr. 10, 1790. He married, June 2, 1834, Helen F. Franchot, a daughter of Pascal Franchot. He lived in Albany, where he died June 16, 1869. He had eight children as follows:

Deborah Matilda, bo. Apr. 19, 1835;
John De Peyster, bo. Mar. 10, 1837;
Pascal Franchot, bo. Feb. 18, 1840; d. Aug. 28, 1841;
Volckert P., bo. Aug. 15, 1842;
Beeckman, bo. Feb. 21, 1844; d. Sept. 5, 1845;
Helen F., bo. Mar. 31, 1846;
Anna De Peyster, bo. Mar. 22, 1848;
Julia Agnes, bo. June 21, 1851.

Deborah became a missionary to China.

John D. entered the Civil War in the summer of 1862 with a commission as captain. His command was a part of the 6th Army Corps and engaged in all its battles. He was wounded, Oct. 19, 1864, at the Battle of Cedar Creek, in his right leg, which had to be amputated. He died Oct. 26.

Volckert married, Dec. 3, 1870, Ella Brooks Gould and died Nov. 9, 1875. He had one son, John De Peyster, born Aug. 18, 1873.

Helen married, in October, 1870, J. Townsend Lansing.

Anna married, May 3, 1877, George Douglass Miller and had three children: Mary, born June 4, 1878; Helen, born Mar. 6, 1880; and Samuel, born October, 1881.

Julia was traced no further.

366. Catharine Louisa Douw (364) was born Sept. 10, 1817. She married, Sept. 10, 1836, John Fondey Townsend, M. D., who was born Mar. 10, 1809, a son of Charles de Kay Townsend and Maria Fonda. Dr. Townsend practiced his profession in Albany, N. Y., for many years, but later removed to New York, where he died Jan. 8, 1874. Catharine had thirteen children as follows:

Charles de Kay, bo. June 14, 1837;
John De Peyster, bo. June 4, 1839;
Volckert Peter Douw, bo. Feb. 23, 1841;
Catharine Douw, bo. Nov. 10, 1842;
Maria Fondey, bo. June 2, 1844; d. July 23, 1844;
Clarence Douw, bo. Apr. 25, 1845;
Harriet Maria Douw, bo. Dec. 27, 1846;
Rodolph Douw;
Blanche Douw, bo. Dec. 21, 1850;
Seraphine de Kay, bo. Nov. 1, 1852;
Gustave de Kay, bo. Sept. 5, 1854;
Eugene de Kay, bo. Feb. 26, 1857;
Leontine de Kay, bo. Aug. 31, 1858.

Charles married first, Dec. 18, 1860, Louisa Van Rensselaer. She died Oct. 19, 1862, and he married second, Feb. 19, 1867, Mary Selden Holmes. He had by his first wife one child, Charles Van Rensselaer, born Oct. 6, 1862. By his second wife he had three children: John Sill, born Sept. 8, 1868; Katharine Louisa,

born Oct. 18, 1869, and Frederick De Peyster, born May 13, 1871.

John married, Oct. 24, 1872, Caroline Elizabeth Towner. She died Oct. 14, 1876. John had one child, Pauline De Peyster, born Jan. 4, 1874.

Volckert was traced no further.

Catharine married, Jan. 30, 1872, Bankson Taylor Morgan and had one son, Townsend, born Jan. 11, 1873.

Clarence married, Feb. 13, 1879, Mamie Derickson.

Harriet married, Apr. 21, 1869, William H. Kirtland and had two children: Katharine Louisa Douw, born Oct. 18, 1870; and Mary Augusta Genet, born Feb. 26, 1873.

Rodolph married, Nov. 21, 1871, Louise de Lagnel Beare and had one daughter, Isabel Douw, born Apr. 7, 1874.

Blanche married, Apr. 28, 1880, Thomas Herbert Allen, M. D., and had one daughter, Jessie Louise, born July 16, 1881.

Seraphine married, Nov. 6, 1879, William Howard Brown and had one son, Howard Townsend, born Dec. 1, 1880.

The family was traced no further.

367. Rachel De Peyster (362) was born in Albany and was baptized May 30, 1728. She married, Sept. 7, 1750, Tobias Ten Eyck, who was born Aug. 15, 1717, a son of Capt. Henrick Ten Eyck and Margarita Bleecker. Mr. Ten Eyck was a merchant of Schenectady, where he is said to have been the most wealthy man in the place. He afterward removed to Caughnawaga, where he died Feb. 9, 1785. Rachel had four children:

Myndert Schuyler, bo. Feb. 9, 1753;
Henry, bo. July 27, 1755;
Tobias, bo. July 19, 1764;
John De Peyster.

Myndert married first, Oct. 20, 1774, Elsie Sanders, a daughter of John Sanders of Scotia. After her death he married Margaret Visscher, a daughter of Harmon Visscher and Cathrina Brouwer. Margaret was the widow of John C. Van Everen. In May, 1780, the home of the Visschers at Caughnawaga was attacked by Indians in one of Sir John Johnson's raids and several of the family were massacred. Margaret and a sister escaped to the woods. By his second wife Myndert had one daughter, Elsie, who married Peter Conyn.

Henry married first Anna Van Eps and second Maria Dorothea Vrooman, who was the widow of John V. L. Le Tonnelier. Henry was a soldier of the Revolution, holding the rank of captain in the Continental army. He had one daughter, Maria, born Apr. 11, 1787, who married Cornelius Vrooman.

Tobias was traced no further.

John married, Jan. 20, 1782, his cousin, Maria Douw.* He died Apr. 9, 1798, and his wife died Mar. 12, 1818. He had one son, John De Peyster, born May 3, 1788.

368. William De Peyster (359) was born in New York May 8, 1709. He married Margaret Keoneott. He had eight children as follows:

John, bo. Apr. 26, 1731;
William, bo. Feb. 10, 1734-5;
Gerard, bo. Feb. 25, 1737;
Nicholas, bo. Mar. 6, 1739-40;
Abraham, bo. Nov. 1, 1742;
James, bo. Feb. 23, 1744-5;
Anna, bo. June 2, 1747; died without issue;
Margaret, bo. Sept. 10, 1749.

John married Elizabeth Henry.

William married Elizabeth Bragaw and had at least: John, Philip, and Elizabeth.

Gerard married his first cousin, Elizabeth Rutgers, who was born June 5, 1741-2, a daughter of Hendrick Rutgers and Catharine De Peyster.† He had at least one child, Betsey.

Nicholas married first Jane Jansen and second Frances De Kay. He had by his first wife four children, two boys and two girls, one of the latter named Margaret. By his second wife he had: Nicholas, George, Jane, and William. George married Lydia Anne Jackson and had; Nicholas, Fanny, Mary, Georgiana, and Jane. The others have been traced no further.

Abraham married Christiana Baldwin and had; Abraham, Gerard, Jane, and Peter.

James married Ann De Peyster and had; Gerard and James.

Margaret married James Blanchard.

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* See page 300.
† See page 305.

369. Catharine De Peyster (359) was born in New York July 22, 1711. She married, Jan. 29,* 1732, Hendrick Rutgers who was born Feb. 20, 1712, a son of Harman Rutgers and Catharine Meyer. Hendrick owned a farm in what is now the most densely populated portion of New York City, the region between Division St. and the East River, and extending from Corlaer's Hook nearly to the first Brooklyn Bridge. His house was built of bricks brought from Holland, and stood on what is now called Rutgers Place. At the time it was built in 1753 he could call his men from their work on the farm where Chatham Square now is. The streets in this part of the city are largely named from members of his family. Madison St. was at one time called Bancker St. after his son-in-law. At the breaking out of the Revolution Hendrick sympathized with the colonists and was compelled to leave the city. He went to Albany and died there in 1779. Catharine had nine children as follows:

370. Catharine, bo. Oct. 1, 1732;
Johannes, bp. Jan. 1, 1735;
Anna, bo. Dec. 30, 1736;
Harmanus, bp. Oct. 22, 1738; died young;
Elizabeth, bo. Jan. 5, 1741-2;
Harmanus, bp. Nov. 27, 1743; died young;
Hendrick, bo. Oct. 7, 1745;
Maria, bo. Oct. 26, 1747;
Harmanus, bo. Sept. 13, 1749.

Johannes probably died without issue.

Anna married her second cousin, William Bancker. For issue see page 264.

Elizabeth married her first cousin, Gerard De Peyster. For issue see page 304.

Hendrick never married. He graduated from King's College (now Columbia) in 1766. On the outbreak of the Revolution he entered the Continental service with the rank of captain. He soon received a commission as colonel and served throughout the war. After the war he retired to his father's farm, which he held throughout his life. He became very wealthy by the increase of value of this property from the growth of the city. He

* Also given as Jan. 9.

was a public-spirited man and took an interest in many philanthropic enterprises. He resuscitated Queen's College at New Brunswick, N. J., which then became Rutger's College. He died on the old farm in 1830.

Maria married Dr. Stephen McCrea or McRea.

Harmen never married. He was a merchant in New York. He entered the American service in the Revolution and was killed at the Battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776.

370. CATHARINE RUTGERS (369) was born in New York Oct. 1, 1732. She married, Aug. 12, 1749, William Bedlow, who was born Dec. 6, 1722, a son of Peter Bedlow* and Mary Nazereth. William was a sea-captain and became a merchant. He was postmaster of New York in 1748. Catharine had the following children:

Peter, bo. Aug. 24, 1751; d. Dec. 26, 1751;
(A son), bo. Aug. 10, 1754; d. at birth;
(A daughter), bo. July 13, 1755; d. at birth;
William, bo. Nov. 9, 1756; d. May 15, 1757;
Catharina, bo. May 19, 1758;
Henry, bo. Jan. 3, 1767;
William, bo. Feb. 19, 1768; d. Mar. 19, 1768;
Mary Elizabeth Goad, bo. Aug. 1, 1771.

Catharina married, Oct. 11, 1781, Dr. Ebenezer Crosby, who was at one time surgeon of General Washington's Guard and afterward was professor of medicine at Columbia College. Dr. Crosby died July 16, 1788, and Catharine died Feb. 19, 1789. She had three children: John Plajer, born Jan. 15, 1785; William Bedlow, born Feb. 7, 1786; and Henry Rutgers, born June 11, 1787, and died May 22, 1788.

Henry married Catharine Van Horn who died with the birth of her first child, William, July 7, 1786. Henry married again and had a son, Henry, who became mayor of Newport, R. I.

Mary married John Beekman.

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* Bedlow's Island on which the Statue of Liberty stands in New York Harbor takes its name from this family.

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PART III.

PREFACE.

The third part of this work consists chiefly of the records of a number of families that could not be traced back more than three or four generations. Undoubtedly most of these are branches of one or the other of the two preceding families whose connection has been lost. Further search would doubtless discover the missing link in some cases; in fact, even while the manuscript was in preparation for the press it has been possible to transfer some to their proper places in the preceding family records. Most of these are probably branches of the Laurens Bancker family, a few are doubtless of the Gerrit Bancker family, while some are certainly independent families.

The part closes with a series of isolated data and notes which are here included as they may be of value to some one endeavor- to trace ancestral lines. Such comments are made in connection with these as are thought to throw any light on the subject.

CHAPTER XXIV.

THE ABRAHAM BANKER FAMILY OF GOSHEN.

371. Abraham Banker was born in 1763 in Westchester county, N. Y. I have little doubt that he is a descendant of Laurens Bancker, but it is not possible to make the connection. The nearest we can come to it is the suggestion that he may have been a son of Aaron, born in 1765, but since he had no children named either Aaron or Margaret, this seems more than doubtful. He married first Hannah Feeks, *née* Robbins. Her father or some one of her family owned the Robbins Mills in Westchester county. She was born in 1774 and died Mar. 25, 1815. After her death Abraham married Mrs. Abigail Tupper, *née* Cooper. He was a farmer and moved first from Westchester county to Dutchess and lived for a time near Fishkill. He sold his farm there, Jan. 5, 1811, to Joseph Sherwood and then moved to Orange county and settled near Goshen. He was also a cabinet maker and there are still in possession of the family several old pieces of furniture of his make. He died Mar. 18, 1825. His widow survived him. He had fourteen children by his first wife as follows:

Sally;
372. John;
373. Isaac, bo. Mar. 1, 1792;
Eliza;
Abigail, bo. 1797; d. Jan. 11, 1887, unmarried;
376. William, bo. Dec. 15, 1799;
377. Philander, bo. Feb. 20, 1800;
378. James;
379. Abraham, bo. Nov. 1, 1806;
Derrick;
381. Nancy;
Daniel, died without issue;
382. Samuel;
Mary, died without issue.

By his second wife he had:

383. George S.;
Charles, nothing known about him.

Sally married a Lewis. She had several children. The family lived near Kensico, Westchester Co., N. Y. Nothing more is known of them.

Eliza married Job Robbins and lived at Kensico. She had several children.

Derrick received his name from Derrick Brinckerhoff. He married first Phoebe ——— and second ——— Storms. He had by his first wife three children and by his second two children. The latter were John and a girl who married a Duvall and lives near Stirling or Sloatsburg.

372. John Banker (371) married Maria Drake. He was a farmer and had at least two children as follows:

Mary Jane;
Frances Emily.

Mary married Calvin Rhodes, a farmer living near Goshen, N. Y. After his death she moved to Port Jervis, N. Y., where she died about 1904, aged over 80 years. She had several children, but nothing could be learned of them.

Frances married John Smith, a blacksmith living near Waterloo, N. J. After his death she went to Port Jervis, N. Y., where she died about 1905. She had three children; Mariette, Augusta, and a boy, name not known. Mariette married Hezekiah Woodhull, an engineer living in Port Jervis. Nothing further could be learned of the family.

373. Isaac Banker (371) was born in Westchester county, N. Y., Mar. 1, 1792. He married, Apr. 19, 1817, Sarah Denton, who was born Mar. 11, 1794, a daughter of John and Katharine Denton.* He was a farmer and came to Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., with his father. He died here Mar. 7, 1870. His wife died May 1. 1865. He had eight children as follows:

Phoebe J., bo. Mar. 9, 1818;
John D., bo. Jan. 17, 1820;

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* John Denton was born Aug. 20, 1760, and died July 20, 1826. Katharine was born in 1763 and died June 27, 1797.

Katharine, bo. May 12, 1822; died young of scarlet fever;
Mary, bo. Oct. 21, 1824;
374. Daniel Denton, bo. Sept. 14, 1827;
Isaac, bo. Dec. 12, 1829;
Harriet, bo. Apr. 2, 1832; d. Aug. 26, 1859, unmarried;
375. Sarah Wickham, bo. Aug. 14, 1837.

Phoebe died young, being scalded by accident. Her mother had removed a kettle of boiling water from the fireplace when the child came near and sat down in it.

John married, Nov. 12, 1856, Angeline Bodle, a daughter of Archie Bodle and ——— Smith. He died at Chester, Orange Co., N. Y., June 23, 1858. His wife was then living but has since died. He had one daughter, Sarah, who married Isaac Knapp, a farmer of Goshen. She is dead, but her husband is still living. She had two children, William, who lives in New York City, and a girl who married a man by the name of Clark.

Mary married, Jan. 14, 1849, Edmund Anderson, who was born May 17, 1821, a son of Edmund Anderson and Susan Anderson.* Mr. Anderson was a carpenter, and he and his wife lived for fifty years in New York City, where he died Feb. 26, 1899. Mary is still living (1907) in La Grange, Orange Co., with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Daniel Banker. She had no children.

Isaac married, Jan. 20, 1870, Martha L. Howell, who was born in 1834, a daughter of Joseph B. Howell and Elizabeth J. Weden. He was a farmer and lived on his grandfather's old farm in Goshen. He died Aug. 23, 1901. His widow is now (1907) living in Goshen. He had no children.

374. Daniel Denton Banker (373) was born Sept. 14, 1827. He married his cousin, Hannah Louisa Banker, July 2, 1862. She was born Nov. 19, 1838, a daughter of Philander Banker and Harriet Conkling.† He was a farmer and lived in Goshen and La Grange, Orange Co., N. Y. He died in La Grange Jan. 24, 1906. His widow is still living there (1907). They had two children:

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* Edmund Anderson, Sr., and his wife Susan were cousins, Edmund being the son of Joseph Anderson and Anny Brown, and Susan, a daughter of William Anderson, Jr., and Mary Lyon. The Andersons were of New Rochelle, Westchester Co., N. Y.

† See page 313.

Frederick Anderson, bo. Sept. 12, 1865;
Mary Louise, bo. May 19, 1869.

Frederick married, Jan. 6, 1898, Maggie Wallace Genung, who was born about 1871, a daughter of Wallace Genung and ——— Conning. Fred was a farmer and lived at La Grange, where he died July 14, 1898. After his death his widow married a man by the name of Dane, and they now live in Pittsburgh, Pa. Fred had no children.

Mary Louisa is unmarried and lives with her mother in La Grange.

375. Sarah Wickham Banker (373) was born Aug. 14, 1837. She married, Mar. 23, 1870, John E. Farley, who was born Mar. 3, 1849, a son of Peter Farley and Eleanor ———. Her husband is a farmer and both are living in Unionville, Orange Co., N. Y. They have three children:

Mary Banker, bo. June 6, 1871;
Annie Smith, bo. Sept. 28, 1872;
Sally Denton, bo. Oct. 25, 1873.

Mary married, Dec. 30, 1891, Samuel Stoll, who was born Oct. 18, 1853, a son of Moses and Cornelia Stoll. He was a farmer and lived in Unionville, Orange Co., where he died Nov. 4, 1903. His widow still lives in Unionville. She has one daughter, Cecilia, born Sept. 23, 1892.

Annie married, July 31, 1895, William D. Moulton, who was born Apr. 5, 1862. He is a teacher and they live at Otisville, N. Y. She has had eight children: Dorothea, born Jan. 22, 1896; John, born July 7, 1897, and died Feb. 9, 1900; Olive, born Mar. 20, 1899; Charley, born Sept. 9, 1900, and died Mar. 9, 1901; Charles F., born Nov. 5, 1901; Alice, born Sept. 29, 1902; Joseph, born Oct. 22, 1903; and Aruba, born Apr. 27, 1904.

Sally married, Oct. 29, 1896, Lawrence Dunn, who was born Nov. 6, 1866, a son of John Dunn. He is a farmer and they live in Sussex, N. J. She has two children: Percy, born Apr. 19, 1898; and Sarah Hazel, born Apr. 10, 1899.

376. William Banker (371) was born Dec. 15, 1799. He married, Feb. 22, 1822, Martha Finch, who was born Oct. 18, 1800, a daughter of William Finch and Esther Bouton. He was a carpenter and lived at Hyde Park, N. Y., from the time of

his marriage until his death, Jan. 22, 1866. His wife died Aug. 7, 1864. He owned considerable property in Hyde Park. He had six children as follows:

John Nelson, bo. Dec., 1824; d. Mar. 21, 1826;
Sarah Catharine, bo. Sept. 29, 1826;
Laura Y., bo. Dec. 14, 1829;
Josephine Cordelia, bo. Aug. 11, ——;
Fanny, bo. Sept. 12, ——; d. Feb. 4, 1907, unmarried;
Maria Louise, bo. Aug. 16, 1837.

Sarah and Maria are living in Hyde Park unmarried.

Laura married, Mar. 15, 1854, Horatio H. Whitten, who was born in South Berwick, New Hampshire, a son of Calvin Whitten and Elizabeth ———. He was a bookkeeper and they lived in Boston and New York. She died Sept. 25, 1869, and is buried in the grave-yard of the Dutch Reformed Church at Hyde Park. He married second Cecilia Frances Bloodgood and went to California, where he died in Fresno Mar. 2, 1904. Laura had four children: Emily Louisa, born Apr. 6, 1855, and died Aug. 17, 1855; Laura Virginia, born Oct. 19, 1857; Fanny Banker, born Nov. 21, 1858, and died July 19, 1859; and Henry Dwight Laflin, born Oct. 29, 1861, and died Mar. 4, 1889, in Oakland, Cal., unmarried. Laura V. married John Morgan Luce, a fruit packer in Fresno, Cal. They have one child, Laura Louise, born in 1898.

Josephine married, Sept. 7, 1853, Henry Dwight Laflin, who was born Feb. 12, 1830, a son of Luther Laflin and Almira Sylvester. He is a powder manufacturer and now lives in Saugerties, N. Y. Josephine died Feb. 8, 1907. She had one child, Almira Sylvester, born June 30, 1854, and died Oct. 27, 1869.

377. Philander Banker (371) was born Feb. 20, 1800. He married, February, 1833, Harriet Conkling, who was born Nov. 5, 1808, a daughter of Benjamin Conkling and Bethiah Matthews. He was a farmer and lived in Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., where he died July 20, 1863. His widow died Nov. 15, 1885. He had five children as follows:

Benjamin Franklin, bo. Nov. 9, 1833;
Philander, bo. Feb. 22, 1836;
Hannah Louisa, bo. Nov. 19, 1838;
Isabella, bo. Aug. 30, 1843;
Samuel Newell, bo. about 1845; d. in two months.

Benjamin married Fannie Monell, a daughter of Harry Monell and ——— Baird. He is a farmer and lived near Bloomingburg, Sullivan Co., N. Y., but is now (1907) living with his sister, Mrs. Daniel Banker, at La Grange, N. Y. His wife died May 23, 1871. He has two children, Fannie Belle and Hattie M., who was born in June, 1870. Fannie married Theodore Bookstaver, from whom she has separated, and now lives near Campbell Hall, N. Y. She has one daughter, Edith, born in March, 1892. Hattie married Alexander Cameron, a farmer of Walkill, Ulster Co., N. Y. They have three children; Louise, born about 1894, Everette, and Alice.

Philander married Abbie Thew, a daughter of John Thew and Phoebe ———. He was a farmer in Middletown, Orange Co., where he died Nov. 15, 1884. His widow lives in Nyack, N. Y. He had two children, Nellie and Thew. Nellie teaches in Nyack, and Thew is a printer in the same place. Neither is married.

Hannah married her cousin Daniel D. Banker. For issue see page 311.

Isabella married, in January, 1887, George Miller, from England. He was a carpenter and they lived in Warwick, where he died in November, 1889. Isabella is living in Middletown, Orange Co., N. Y., at 57 Monhagan Ave. She has no children.

378. James Banker (371) married first Mary Ann Denton, and after her death he married the widow of his brother, Abraham, Emily Sherwood.* She died Feb. 9, 1884. The date of his birth could not be learned. He had three children by his first wife as follows:

Henry, died unmarried;
William, died unmarried;
Joseph Sherwood.

By his second wife he had one son:

Edward, bo. Dec. 9, 1853; d. Mar. 9, 1889, unmarried.

Joseph Sherwood married and now lives in Geneva, N. Y., where he is engaged in the drug business. He has at least one son, Bertram Denton, born June 23, 1881. Bertram married, June 22, 1903, Madeline Kelly a daughter of Nicholas Kelly

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* See page 315.

and Marie Harts, from Paris. He is in the hardware business in Meridian, N. Y. He has no children.

379. ABRAHAM BANKER (371) was born Nov. 1, 1806. He married, Feb. 15, 1834, Emily Louisa Sherwood, who was born May 21, 1815, a daughter of Joseph Sherwood and Mrs. Hannah Gregory, *née* Cheney. He was a carpenter and died in Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., Nov. 13, 1848. After his death his widow married his brother, James.* He had eight children as follows:

Agnes, bo. May 1, 1836; d. Feb. 22, 1876, without issue.
Hannah Jane, bo. Sept. 9, 1838;
380. Emily Louisa, } bo. Mar. 10, 1841; twins;
Francis, }
Thomas E., bo. May 31, 1842;
Joseph Sherwood, bo. Oct. 1, 1845;
Mary, } bo. Oct. 20, 1848; twins.
Laura, }

Hannah married, Jan. 20, 1859, George I. Wood, a blacksmith. He died Apr. 27, 1882, and she is now (1907) living with her brother Joseph at Goshen, N. Y. She has no children.

Francis is unmarried and lives with his brother Joseph.

Thomas married first, Aug. 15, 1876, Eunice J. Case, who was born July 6, 1855. She died Feb. 16, 1887, and he married second Ida Pearsall. He is a trainman and lives in Goshen, N. Y. He had by his first wife one daughter, Grace C., born Nov. 20, 1877, and died Feb. 3, 1889. By his second wife he has a daughter, who was five or six years old in 1907.

Joseph is unmarried and lives on a farm near Goshen, N. Y.

Mary is unmarried and lives with Joseph.

Laura married, Jan. 12, 1881, Wyatt Carr, an air-brake inspector, and they live at 20 Benton Ave., Middletown, Orange Co., N. Y. They have three children; Ruben, Homer, and Mattie. None of them are married.

380. EMILY LOUISA BANKER (379) was born in Goshen, Orange Co., N. Y., Mar. 10, 1841. She married, Jan. 2, 1867, George W. Weed. She died July 27, 1899. Her husband is a butcher and now (1907) lives in Stamford, Conn., with his daughter Laura. Emily had five children as follows:

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* See page 314.

Irving George, bo. June 17, 1868;
(A son), bo. Oct. 24, 1870; d. in three days;
Laura Agnes, bo. Oct. 21, 1874;
Harry Garfield, bo. Sept. 15, 1880; d. May 9, 1882;
Bessie Gregory bo. Jan. 9, 1884.

Irving and Bessie are not married and live together in Yonkers. He is an architect in New York.

Laura married, Jan. 10, 1899, George Alvin Austin, who was born Sept. 3, 1870, a son of Robert Austin and Rebecca ———. He is a merchant and they live at 41 Bedford Place. Stamford, Conn. She has one child, Ernest Walter, born July 4, 1902.

381. Nancy Banker (371) married Robert Shaw, a farmer of Little Britain, Orange Co., N. Y. She had two children:

Samuel;
Mary Ellen.

Samuel married ——— Mackinson. He was a clerk in a dry-goods house in Newburgh, where he died about 1891. His widow now (1907) lives in Newburgh. He had two children, Charles and Edward. The first died when about fifteen years old. Edward lives in New York.

Mary married Charles Gregg. He kept a grocery store in Newburgh for some years, then moved to Kansas, where Mary died. He is still living there, but the place is not known. Mary had three children: Sylvester, Agnes, and a girl. All live in Kansas and one or more are believed to be married.

382. Samuel R. Banker (371) married first, about 1830, Caroline Bodle* and second Margaret ———, who survived him. He was a farmer in Chester, Orange Co., N. Y., and died before May 28, 1888. He had two children by his first wife:

Thaddeus Wakely, bo. Nov. 22, ——;
Nancy Jane, died unmarried in 1855.

Thaddeus married Susan D. Clark, a daughter of Jephtna Clark and Sarah Saturley. He is a farmer and is living at Sugar Loaf, Orange Co., N. Y. He has four children: Samuel F., born in 1862; Cyrus Foss, born in 1865; Thaddeus Wakely, born in 1870; and Ella Jane, born in 1872.

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* She was an aunt of Angeline Bodle. See page 311.

323. George S. Banker (371) married ——— Brooks. He died in Chester, N. Y., before Feb. 6, 1905. He had five children as follows:

Josiah;
George;
Araminta;
Eugenia;
Fowler.

Josiah married and had a family. He is dead, but his family lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

George was in the Civil War and died there unmarried.

Araminta married Alfred Post. They have since separated. She has two children and lives in New York.

Eugenia married Henry Durland. She is dead, but he is living in Chester, Orange Co. They had no children.

Fowler lives in Chester, N. Y., unmarried.

CHAPTER XXV.

THE JOSHUA AND ELIZABETH BANKER FAMILIES.

385. JOSHUA and ELIZABETH BANKER were brother and sister. Nothing is known of their father except that he lived in Dutchess county, N. Y., and is said to have had a family of thirteen children. I think it probable that he was a descendant of Laurens Bancker. A Henry Banker, living at 155 Garside St., Newark, N. J., about 1897, was a nephew of Joshua and Elizabeth, but nothing further was learned of him or his ancestors. It is said that one or more of Joshua's brothers committed suicide. All that I could find of this family were:

386. Joshua;
396. Elizabeth, bo. Jan. 3, 1780.

386. JOSHUA BANKER (385) came into Grafton, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., at an early date, probably before 1800. He married Rhoda Smith, whose father was a still earlier settler of the town, and bought 40 acres of land on the east of his father-in-law's farm. He afterward bought on as he prospered, extending his possessions farther east and built a good frame house, which is still standing and in possession of his grandson, Ziba Banker. It is said to be the oldest frame dwelling in the town. Joshua had seven children, one boy and six girls. I have found trace of only four as follows:

387. Henry, bo. Dec. 6, 1806;
390. Lucy, bo. about 1801;
394. Harriet A.;
Maria.

Maria, the youngest, married Henry Hassam, who is still living (1907) in Grafton, being 83 years old. She had one son, who is living with his father unmarried.

387. HENRY BANKER (386) was born in Grafton, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Dec. 6, 1806. He married Lois Hewitt, who was born in 1807, a daughter of Ziba Hewitt of Hoosick, and ——— Crandall. Henry was a farmer and lived his whole life on his

father's homestead, where he died Jan. 1, 1872. He had seven children, two of whom died young; the others were:

Henrietta, bo. June 11, 1830;
Frances, bo. Jan. 1, 1838;
388. Ziba, bo. June 18, 1840;
Sara, died in 1867, unmarried;
389. Lois, bo. Oct. 6, 1848.

Henrietta married John Allen, a son of Benajah Allen of Grafton. They lived in Valley Falls, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., where Mr. Allen kept a general store. He died about September, 1898. Henrietta lived alone for some years and was found dead in her house by the neighbors June 11, 1907. She had no children.

Frances married J. Warren Hyde of Hoosick. He was a farmer and lived in Hoosick, where he died Apr. 26, 1891. His memorial says, aged 67 yrs., 8 mos., 12 dys. This would make his birth Aug 14, 1823. His widow is still living (1907) with her children in Manchester and Woodford, Vt. She had four children, but they have not been traced further.

388. Ziba Banker (387) was born in Grafton, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., June 18, 1840. He married, Apr. 4, 1869, Alpharetta Phillips who was born Oct. 13, 1850, a daughter of William Phillips and Mary Reynolds of Grafton. He is a farmer and lives on the old homestead in Grafton. He has twelve children as follows:

Lois Sabrina, bo. June 14, 1870;
Mary, bo. Jan. 3, 1872;
Esther, Henrietta, } bo. Jan. 18, 1874; twins;
Leighton, bo. June 1, 1876;
Julia May, bo. July 31, 1878;
Phoebe, bo. Sept. 2, 1880;
Minnie, bo. Jan. 5, 1883;
Adaline E., bo. June 18, 1885;
William, bo. Oct. 16, 1887;
Marcia E., bo. Aug. 27, 1890;
Frank, bo. Feb. 23, 1893.

Lois, or Nina as she is usually called, married Emory Wood, a son of Lewis Wood and Philena Durkee. They live at Grafton

Center and have two children: Alpha, born May 8, 1898; and Clara, born Mar. 21, 1905.

Mary married, Mar. 1, 1888, Edgar Grogan, a son of Thomas Grogan. He is a farmer and lives near Johnsonville, N. Y. She has five children: Jesse, born Aug. 26, 1890; Ernest, born October, 1891; Sterry, born 1895; Ziba, born 1898; and Ellis, born Sept. 20, 1906.

Esther married, Aug. 10, 1897, Merritt Snyder, a son of Orlando Snyder and Martha Dick. He keeps a general store at Raymertown, Rensselaer Co., N. Y. She has one child, Howard Benjamin, born Nov. 20, 1904.

Henrietta married, November, 1893, on Thanksgiving Day, Richard Halbritter, a son of Michael and Barbara Halbritter. He is a farmer and lives between Johnsonville and Pittstown. She has four children: Leighton Eugene, born Sept. 6, 1896; Barbara, born Mar. 29, 1898; Mildred, born Apr. 26, 1901; and Marion, born Sept. 7, 1906.

Julia married, Oct. 6, 1899, Thomas Hunter, a son of Thomas Hunter of Lansingburgh. He is superintendent of the cutting room in a knitting mill and they live in Hoboken, N. J. Julia has one child, Thomas Banker, born July 31, 1905.

Minnie married, Sept. 5, 1906, Peter Grogan, an undertaker of Lansingburgh.

Phoebe and Adaline live in Troy. William, Marcia, and Frank are at home. None of these are married.

389. Lois Banker (387) was born in Grafton, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Oct. 6, 1848. She married, in March, 1872, Sterry Hewitt, a distant cousin of her mother's and a son of Col. John Hewitt and ——— Bovie. Mr. Hewitt was a farmer and they lived in Petersburgh, Rensselaer Co., N. Y. They are both dead. Lois had two children:

John Banker;
Sarah.

John married Georgie Sweet of Jersey City. He is a farmer and lives on his father's farm in Petersburgh. He has two children, Sterry and Erskin.

Sarah married George Cook, a farmer living in South Williamstown, Mass. She has two children, Martin and John B.

390. Lucy Banker (386) was born in Grafton, N. Y., about 1801. She married first, Eddy Twogood, a son of ——— Twogood and Mercy ———. He died on the old Twogood farm near Raymertown, N. Y., May 1, 1827, aged 31 years, 1 month, and 18 days, and is buried in the orchard by his own request. About four years after the death of her first husband Lucy married George Campbell, who was born Nov. 18, 1803. He was a farmer and they continued to live on the old Twogood place, where he died Mar. 20, 1877, and Lucy died Feb. 5, 1893, "aged 92 yrs." She had two children by her first husband as follows:

Harriet Minerva, bo. Apr. 9, 1824;

391. Eliza Maria, bo. June 20, 1828.

By her second husband she had one son:

393. John Henry, bo. June 25, 1834.

Harriet married William Fowler, a farmer of White Creek, N. Y. He is dead, but the date was not learned. Harriet died Apr. 3, 1902. She had one child, Stella, born Oct. 7, 1864. She married John Carr, who was born May 30, 1860, a son of Ambrose Carr and Martha Pitcher. He is a farmer near Raymertown, N. Y. Stella has no children.

391. Eliza Maria Twogood (390) was born near Raymertown, N. Y., June 20, 1828. She married, Mar. 7, 1849, Lyman B. Agan who was born Apr. 12, 1818, a son of Barnett Agan and Ruth Button. Mr. Agan was a farmer and lived about a mile east of Raymertown. He died June 26, 1891. Eliza was still living in 1907, but in poor health. She had seven children as follows:

392. Warren Barnett, bo. Mar. 12, 1850;
Elizabeth, bo. Aug. 30, 1851;
Harriet Jane, bo. Dec. 22, 1852;
Alta, bo. Sept. 8, 1855; d. Sept. 19, 1856;
Ruth, bo. Oct. 17, 1860;
Emerttia L., bo. Dec. 22, 1863; d. Mar. 20, 1906;
Georgia E., bo. Jan. 29, 1870.

Elizabeth married, about 1864, George Carpenter, a son of Frank Carpenter and Maria ———. He is a farmer living near Potter Hill, Rensselaer Co. They have no children.

Harriet married, Jan. 30, 1878, Philip Curtis, who was born Jan. 21, 1855, a son of Jacob Curtis and Susan Hiller. He is

a farmer and lives on his father-in-law's place near Raymertown, N. Y. They have no children.

Ruth married David Carr, a son of William Carr* and Martha Bradish. He is a laborer and lives in Troy, N. Y. Ruth has two children: Orin D., born in November, 1886; and William, born in November, 1884. Both live in Potsdam, N. Y., and work in the paper mill.

Georgia married Jay Cottrell, a son of Sherman Cottrell and Phoebe Case. He is a farmer and lives at Hoosic Falls, N. Y. She has no children.

392. Warren Barnett Agan (391) was born near Raymertown, N. Y., Mar. 12, 1850. He married, Jan. 14, 1880, Emily Jane Humphrey, who was born Jan. 14, 1860, a daughter of Stephen C. Humphrey and Caroline M. Cushman. He was a farmer and lived near Raymertown, where he died Apr. 25, 1904. He had seven children as follows:

Fannie Caroline, bo. Sept. 25, 1880;
Libbie Onona, bo. Jan. 21, 1882;
Clara Emily, bo. Aug. 20, 1884; d. Jan. 23, 1888;
Forrest Preston, bo. Sept. 6, 1887;
Rosena Frances, bo. Sept. 19, 1889;
Nellie Barry, bo. June 14, 1895;
Stephen Warren, bo. Sept. 10, 1899.

Fannie married, Nov. 19, 1903, William Eldred, who was born Oct. 7, 1864, a son of Warren Eldred and ——— Haynes. Mr. Eldred is a farmer and they live in Pittstown, N. Y. They have no children.

Libbie married, Nov. 20, 1902, Frank I. Eldred, who was born Aug. 5, 1880, a son of Frank Eldred and Eunice Bulson. He is a cousin of William above. He is a farmer and they live near Johnsonville, N. Y. She has one child, Edith, born Nov. 6, 1906.

The others are at home with their mother, who lives near Raymertown, N. Y.

393. John Henry Campbell (390) was born near Raymertown, N. Y., June 25, 1834. He married Apr. 18, 1858, Mary

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* William was a brother of Ambrose Carr. See page 321.

Jane Carr,* who was born Aug. 22, 1834, a daughter of Barnett Carr and Eve Snyder. He was a farmer and lived on the Eddy Twogood place near Raymertown, N. Y., where he died Jan. 31, 1902. His widow is still living on the old place with her son William. John had two children:

George Barnett, bo. Feb. 18, 1859; d. in 1866;
William Elmer, bo. Jan. 2, 1862.

William married, Mar. 18, 1885, Ida M. Lawton, who was born Oct. 18, 1861, a daughter of Norman Lawton and Mary A. Pierce. He is a farmer and lives on the Eddy Twogood place near Raymertown, N. Y. He has four children as follows: Perry Norman, born Aug. 29, 1885; Percy John, born Nov. 29, 1886; Cortland L., born Mar. 13, 1891; and Paul D., born Jan. 17, 1897. Perry married, June 5, 1907, Olive Hungerford Williams, a daughter of John Williams and Mary Ellen Wilson. He is a stenographer employed by the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, and lives in Green Island, N. Y.

394. Harriet A. Banker (386) was born in Grafton, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., She married, in April, 1823, Benjamin Babcock. He was a farmer and lived in Grafton most of his life, but died in West Troy May 9, 1867. Harriet also died in West Troy July 10, 1865. She had nine children as follows:

Charles Henry, bo. Nov. 29, 1824;
Henrietta Elizabeth, bo. May 15, 1826; d. Oct. 9, 1827;
395. Alphonso Harvy, bo. Apr. 7, 1829;
Caleb S., bo. Jan. 24, 1831;
Katharine Maria, bo. Nov. 10, 1832; d. May 20, 1833;
Katharine N., bo. May 13, 1834; d. June 25, 1835;
George Chancy, bo. Mar. 12, 1836;
John Albert, bo. May 8, 1838; d. Sept. 7, 1900, unmar.;
Harriet Angeline, bo. Feb. 10, 1840.

Charles married Jane Burdick. He is dead, but his wife is living. He had two children, George Henry and Harriet Ann Jane. Both are married and living somewhere in western New York.

Caleb married, June 18, 1861, Frank H. Fowler. He and his wife are living at 16 North 8th Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y. He has three children: Edith Maud, Beula Stell, and Arthur

* She was a sister of Ambrose Carr and William Carr. See pages 321 and 322.

Fowler. Edith married Marvin Vandenbergh and lives in Lincoln, Neb. Arthur married Amy ———. He has one child, Mildred Marion, born May 20, 1907. He lives in Mt. Vernon.

George married, Apr. 21, 1861, Sarah M. Brown. He died in New York City Aug. 23, 1871. His widow is living at Mt. Vernon, N. Y. He had two children: Ida Belle, who died Aug. 22, 1871, aged about 8 yrs.; and Chester A., born Apr. 14, 1865.

Harriet married, May 8, 1867, Luther G. Philo, who was born Nov. 8, 1839, a son of Nathan A. Philo and Jane Ann Briggs. They are living at 147 Hudson Ave., Green Island, N. Y. They have no children.

395. Alphonzo Harvey Babcock (394) was born in Troy, N. Y., Apr. 7, 1829. He married first, Nov. 24, 1859, Catherine A. Kniskern; second, in April, 1866, Sarah A. Capps; and third, Bertha Ann Richmond, who is now (1907) living with her son, Willard. Alphonzo died May 30, 1900. He had one child by his first wife:

George Jay, bo. May 2, 1861.

He had no children by his second wife and two by his third:

Merrit A., bo. in August, 1881; d. July 21, 1882.
Willard J., bo. May 19, 1876.

George married first Nettie Filley and second Mary Florence Stevenson, who is yet living. He died Apr. 8, 1894. He had three children, all by his second wife; Hattie Mable, Charles Lewis, and George Milton, who was born Oct. 6, 1891.

Willard married, Sept. 16, 1899, Nellie Chilson and lives on Green Island. He has one daughter, Beulah Jean, born June 18, 190—.

396. Elizabeth Banker (385) was born in Dutchess county, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1780. When twelve years old she rode on horseback with her cousin, Daniel Pine, from Dutchess county to Hoosick, where his father lived. When they started Daniel broke a whip from a pear tree and after reaching Hoosick he stuck the sprout in the ground, where it grew and was still living as late as 1900. Elizabeth afterward married Daniel, who was born June 11, 1772, a son of James Pine and ——— Buckhout. She died Mar. 25, 1858, and her husband died Oct. 3, 1863. She had seven children as follows:

Hiram, bo. May 9, 1800; d. Dec. 31, 1833; unmarried;
Minerva, bo. May 23, 1802; d. Oct. 27, 1894; unmarried;
Aurelia, bo. Apr. 21, 1804; d. May 9, 1891; unmarried;
Ai, bo. July 27, 1807; d. July 11, 1897, unmarried;
397. Eliza, bo. June 11, 1811;
Ardelia, bo. Dec. 12, 1814;
Harvey, bo. Dec. 9, 1817; d. May 20, 1907, unmarried.

Ardelia was living near Cooksborough on the old Pine farm in 1907. She never married. Eliza was the only one of the family that ever married.

397. Eliza Pine (396) was born in Rensselaer county, N. Y., June 11, 1811. She married, in September, 1834, John Bowen, a son of Samuel Bowen. He was a farmer and lived in White Creek, N. Y. He died in May, 1874. Eliza died in May, 1862. She had five children as follows:

Fidelia, bo. Aug. 10, 1836;
Amelia, bo. Feb. 12, 1838;
Harvey, bo. Apr. 4, 1840;
Francis, bo. July, 1841;
Legrand, bo. August —, 1843; d. Aug. 29, 1853.

Fidelia married, Oct. 17, 1862, Thomas Bennet, a farmer in Cambridge, Washington Co., N. Y. She died in August, 1881, and he died about ten years later. She had one child, who died when about one year old.

Amelia married, Oct. 9, 1867, Freeman Fowler, who was born Dec. 17, 1843, a son of Hiram Fowler and Mary Lownsberry. He was a merchant of Schuylerville, N. Y., and died Jan. 1, 1883. Amelia is living at Cooksborough, N. Y. She had one child, Legrand B., born Dec. 9, 1874. Legrand married, in April, 1905, Jennie Golden. He is a book-keeper for J. K. P. Pine in Lansingburgh.

Harvey married, Aug. 10, 1874, Laura Beard, who was born in August, 1851, a daughter of Alvin Beard and Abigail Nicholson. He is a farmer and lives at Hoopestown, near Danville, Ill. He has two children: Lillie, born May 28, 1876; and Roy, born Mar. 18, 1880. Lillie married, Aug. 10, 1900, Alfred Raut, a farmer at Hoopestown, Ill. Roy married, Nov. 30, 1905, Ettie Moser, a daughter of Rev. Henry Moser of the Evangelical Church. Roy is a farmer and lives at Hoopestown, Ill.

Francis married in September, 1867, Eva Verbeck, who was born in 1848, a daughter of Henry Verbeck and Jane Southworth. He is a farmer and lives in Sheridan, Ill. He has two children: Lyell, born in September, 1870; and Ai, born in 1882 (?). Lyell married and has one child. He is a farmer of Sheridan, Ill. Ai married, in November, 1906, Mabel Belle, a daughter of a physician. He is a farmer of Sheridan.

CHAPTER XXVI.

THE JOHN BANKER FAMILY OF GREEN COUNTY, N. Y.

398. John Banker was born in Westchester county, N. Y., or possibly in Dutchess county, about 1765. He is thought to have been the son of a John Banker. I have no doubt that he belongs to the Laurens Bancker family, but I have not been able to identify him with any John Banker of that family. He married Sarah Marshall and soon after, or about the year 1800, he settled on a farm near the village of Griffin's Corners, in Delaware county, N. Y. A few years later he moved to Halcott, Green Co., N. Y., where he lived until his death, Jan. 13, 1857, aged 92 years. His wife died Jan. 21, 1864. At the time of their deaths both were living with the son, Daniel. John had seven children as follows:

399. Frederick, bo. 1799;
401. James Marshall, bo. July 23, 1804;
402. Daniel, bo. May 31, 1809;
John;
Levy M.;
Nancy;
Elizabeth.

John and Nancy were not traced further.

Levy married Catharine M. ————. He lived in Lexington, Green Co., N. Y., at least from 1850 to 1864. He died before 1883, at which time his widow was living in Bushnellsville, Green Co. He had at least one child, Valorus D., who married Frances A. ———— and lived in Kendall, Orleans Co., N. Y., in 1883.

Elizabeth married a Hasbrouck and was living a widow with her daughter, Mrs. Hiram Dean, in Delhi, Delaware Co., N. Y., in 1903.

399. Frederick Banker (398) was born perhaps in Westchester county, N. Y., about 1799, but came with his parents when a child to Greene county. He married Elizabeth Kelly.

He lived for a time in Roxbury, Delaware Co., N. Y., but later moved west. He had five children as follows:

Ann Eliza, bo. 1827;
Louisa Every;
400. Dubois Berhance, bo. Nov. 30, 1833;
Harriet C., bo. July 8, 1836;
De Witt Clinton.

Ann Eliza married A. L. Pelham and was living at 486 William St., Jackson, Mich., in 1900. She had at least one son, Frank, who is a dentist in Jackson.

Harriet married, Jan. 1, 1860, B. F. Cary, who was born Jan. 4, 1837, a son of Stephen Cary and Mary Swartout. Mr. Cary has been a farmer and is a grain and coal dealer in Freeport, Kan. Harriet has one child, Florence, born Nov. 18, 1860.

400. Dubois Berhance Banker (399) was born probably in Roxbury, Delaware Co., N. Y., Nov. 30, 1833.* He married, in 1859,† Mary L. Smith, who was born Nov. 14, 1841,‡ a daughter of Oliver P. and Maria Smith.§ He is a shoe manufacturer and lived in Michigan from 1856 to 1886, then in Minnesota until 1891, and since that date at Beloit, Wisconsin. He has two children:

Rolland F., bo. Apr. 21, 1860;
Iphigene Gladstone, bo. July 31, 1869.

Rolland married, Jan. 4, 1888, Lydia M. Burrall, who was born Mar. 29, 1862, a daughter of George B. and Clara Burrall. He is a lawyer and an insurance agent. He moved with his parents to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1881, and lived there until after his marriage. In 1891, he moved to Colfax, Washington, where he now lives. He has one child, Iphigene C., born May 14, 1894.

Iphigene is a graduate of the Philadelphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy, and is now secretary and treasurer of the Woman's Infirmary of Osteopathy, rooms 30-31, 1533 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

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* Also given as 1834 and 1835.
† Also given as 1858 and 1860.
‡ Also given as Dec. 3, 1839 or 1840.
§ Also given as Ellen, perhaps she had both names.

401. James Marshall Banker (398) was born near Griffin's Corners, Delaware Co., or at Halcott, Greene Co., July 23, 1804. He married Fanny Berry, a daughter of Thomas Berry and Susanna. She was born June 17, 1808, and died Sept. 1, 1870. James was a farmer and lived in "Halcott late Lexington" from 1828 to 1866, when he sold his farm and in November of that year moved to Masonville, where he resided until his death, Sept. 30, 1893. He had six children as follows:

Andrew J., bo. Feb. 6, 1833; died in Reno, Nev.
Jane E., bo. Dec. 6, 1835;
Wilson, bo. Jan. 11, 1838; has died;
Helen W., bo. Sept. 19, 1841;
Wilbur M., bo. Aug. 1, 1843;
Romain, bo. Mar. 13, 1846; has died;

Jane married a Winter and resides in Wisconsin.

Helen married, Jan. 1, 1868, Edward Sagendorf, a son of Peter and Catharine Sagendorf, born Apr. 3, 1840. He is a farmer living at Sidney Center, Delaware Co., N. Y. She has one son, Caspar, born Nov. 26, 1868.

Wilbur married, Nov. 7, 1872, Sarah M. Laurence, who was born Jan. 11, 1848, a daughter of George and Abigail C. Laurence. He is a merchant living in Roxbury, Delaware Co. He has two children: Bertha, born June 6, 1874; and Otis Andrew, born Mar. 24, 1879.

402. Daniel Banker (398) was born May 31, 1809, probably in Halcott, Greene Co., N. Y. He married, May 31, 1840, Hannah Vandeburgh. He acquired a good common school education and in his younger days was a teacher. After his marriage, however, he settled down to the life of a farmer, which he followed for twenty years at Halcott. He then removed to Griffin's Corners and went into the mercantile business, at which he continued for eight years, when he retired from active business. He was a democrat and active in politics. He died Aug. 14, 1884, and his widow died May 28, 1889. He had two children:

John Henry, bo. Oct. 7, 1842;
Tallman C., bo. July 23, 1846.

John became a physician and located in Margaretsville, Delaware Co., N. Y., where he became so greatly loved and

respected that when the news of his death reached the town, all business places were closed and draped in mourning until his burial. His funeral is said to have been the largest ever held in Margaretsville. He died in New York City, March 24, 1892, having gone there to attend the Commencement of the Long Island Medical College, in which his son was a student. He contracted pneumonia and lived only three days. He was a prominent Mason and frequently represented his home lodge in the Grand Lodge. His widow was still living in Margaretsville in 1902. He had two children, Llewellyn D. S. and a daughter. The son is married and lives in Brooklyn. After his father's death he gave up the practice of medicine and went into a drug house, where he has been ever since. The daughter is married and lives in Margaretsville.

Tallman married, Mar. 17, 1869, Emma H. Misner, who was born Apr. 25, 1846. He purchased his father's business and continued it for a number of years at Griffin's Corners, but as it affected his health he finally gave it up. About this time the place became popular as a summer resort, and he went into the business of taking summer boarders. He had accommodations for about one hundred guests in the "Banker Cottages." He is now dead. He had one child, Augusta M., born Feb. 1, 1871. She is married and has a little girl who was about two years old in 1903.

CHAPTER XXVII.

VARIOUS FAMILIES.

JEREMIAH BANKER OF AUBURN, N. Y.

403. JEREMIAH BANKER was born Mar. 20, 1810.* He was the youngest of the family, which is said to have numbered thirteen. His father died in 1812 and his mother's name is believed to have been Sarah. Beyond that nothing is known of his parents.† The names of his brothers and sister are given in part and with some uncertainty as follows: Levi, John, Jedediah, Mabie, Obadiah, Peter, Maria, and Alvah. John is believed to have lived in Syracuse, N. Y. Mabie is said to have lived in New York City. Maria married and died leaving one son, an infant, James, who was brought up by her brother, Alvah, and, therefore, took the name Banker again. The last known of him he was living in Cayuga, N. Y. Alvah lived in Aurelius, Cayuga Co., where he died June 13, 1861. It is said that he was murdered for his money near Syracuse bridge. He married Christiana R., ——— and after his death she married a Frazer. Alvah had two children; Sarah, born Apr. 6, 1859, and died Sept. 16, 1875, and Alvah, born Jan. 17, 1861.

Jeremiah married, Feb. 28, 1831, Sarah Wheelock, who was born Apr. 19, 1810,‡ a daughter of Peter Salem Wheelock and Nabbie McKnight. He was a farmer and lived in Auburn, N. Y., until 1843; he then moved west and settled in Steven's Point, Wis., in 1849. In 1872, he went to Berlin, Wis., and in 1879, to Ripon. He died Mar. 12, 1890. He had six children:

404. Lansing William, bo. Apr. 28, 1834;

405. Caroline E. bo. Aug. 25, 1837;

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* Also given as 1809 and as 1812.

† It seems to me very probable that the father of Jeremiah was Peter Banker, who married Martha Maby. (See page 225.) While this opinion is in some degree contradicted by the family tradition that the mother of Jeremiah was named Sarah, it seems to me more than counterbalanced by the fact that one of his brothers was named Mabie, an unusual name not likely to be introduced by mistake and pointing strongly to a maternal maiden name.

‡ Also given as 1812.

George F., bo. June 2, 1839;
John Ashley, bo. Oct. 14, 1843;
Abby Adelia, bo. Aug. 20, 1845;
Charles E., bo. June 16, 1847.

George married, Oct. 12, 1872, Fidelia Eaton. He is a farmer and lives in Berlin, Wis. He was in the Civil War and served four years in the 8th Wis. Light Artillery. He has one child, Ethel F., born Mar. 30, 1885.

John married, June 22, 1871, Lavina E. Wilson, who was born Feb. 28, 1852, a daughter of Jemima Schooley and Ezra Wilson. When a child he moved west with his father and settled at Stevens' Point, Wis., where he lived until 1872; he then moved to Berlin, where he lived until 1890; since that date he has lived in Kaukauna, Wis. He enlisted in the Civil War in Co. D. 5th Reg't Wis. Vol., and was wounded on the Danville Railroad at Sailor's Creek, Apr. 6, 1865. He is now a lock-master of the U. S. Engineer Department. He had three children: Sarah L., born Dec. 23, 1873; Caroline E., born June 11, 1876; and Lulu Belle, born June 23, 1880.

Abby married, Aug. 3, 1864, Harrison Sloggy, the husband of her deceased sister Caroline.* They were living in 1906 at 621 La Fayette Ave., St. Paul, Minn. Abby has one child, Charles Vernon, born May 23, 1868. He is married and in business in Spokane, Washington. He has no children.

Charles married, Nov. 1, 1876, Mary A. Durland, who was born Sept. 25, 1851. He died Nov. 20, 1887,† and his widow is living with her son William on a farm near Ripon, Wis. Charles had three children: Kathryn Elizabeth, born Aug. 25, 1877; Cal Durland, born July 31, 1883, and died Mar. 4, 1884; and William Henry Ernest, born Apr. 16, 1886. Kathryn married Lewis Hase and lives in Kasson, Minn. She has three children: Roy L., Harold W., and Donald.

404. Lansing William Banker (403) was born Apr. 28, 1834. He married, Nov. 2, 1862, Catharine Callahan, who was born May 15, 1845. She died July 7, 1894. He died Dec. 28,

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* See page 333.
† Also given as Mar. 26, 1888.

1898.* He lived in Philadelphia and had seven children as follows:

Lansing W., bo. Aug. 29, 1864;
Mary E., bo. Aug. 2, 1866; d. July 25, 1892;
Katie E., bo. June 12, 1872; d. Oct., 12, 1873;
Florence, bo. Nov. 4, 1879;
Walter, bo. Aug. 12, 1882; d. Oct. 13, 1884;
Katie S., bo. Jan. 4, 1886; d. June 7, 1887;
Emma E., bo. Nov. 29, 1889.

Lansing married, Oct. 12, 1889, Mary E. Simons. He is a carpenter and lived at 1132 Poplar St., Philadelphia, in 1900, but is said to have been living later at Camden, N. J., where he is foreman of inside car repairs. He has no children.

405. Caroline E. Banker (403) was born in Auburn, N. Y., Aug. 25, 1837. She married, in 1854, Harrison Sloggy, who was born Apr. 25, 1830, a son of Jacob and Mary Sloggy. She died Jan. 25, 1863. After her death Mr. Sloggy married her sister, Abby, and they now live at 621 La Fayette Ave., St. Paul, Minn. He enlisted in the Civil War and was a sergeant of Co. B, 46th Wis. Vol. Inf. His father was also a veteran of the Civil War, and Mr. Sloggy is believed to be the oldest veteran who is the son of a veteran in the United States. He is a member of Camp 1, Sons of Veterans of St. Paul. Caroline had three children as follows:

Edwin E., bo. Jan. 1, 1856;
Orlando T., bo. Aug. 27, 1858;
Clara Kate, bo. June 22, 1860.

Edwin lives in Eau Claire, Wis. He is a finisher and polisher of inside work of buildings and a sign painter. He is married and has two children, a son, Lee H., and a daughter, Fay. I.

Orlando is in business in Spokane, Wash. He is married and has one infant daughter.

Clara married J. E. Abbott and resides on Murray St. in Madison, Wis. She has two sons and two daughters. When last heard from all had graduated from the University of Wisconsin except the youngest, Harry, who was to graduate in 1907

* Also given as 1897.

in mechanical engineering. Clarence H., the eldest, after graduating in mechanical engineering, was chief engineer of the U. S. Steel Company's mines until April, 1906, when he accepted a position to construct a plant for a zinc and lead company at Hazel Green, Wis. The elder daughter has married and gone west, the younger is at home.

HENRY BANKER OF CHERRY VALLEY.

406. Henry Banker is said to have been born in Connecticut* and was the son of John Banker. His brothers and sisters are believed to have been: Abram, William, Elias, Jane, Mary, Evan, Nancy, and Elizabeth. I can find no clew to the ancestry of this family. Henry was a blacksmith and settled in Cherry Valley. He married Helen Borst, a daughter of Michael Borst. She was born in Schoharie county and lived in Sharon. Henry died in Ypsilanti, Mich., about 1849. He had seven children:

407. Michael, bo. June 13, 1808;
John, bo. Oct. 7, 1809;
Peter, died when 18 years old;
Joseph, died when 14 years old;
Neania;
Kate;
Ann, died in infancy.

John lived at Waterport, Orleans Co., N. Y. He had three boys; George, John, and Peter, and three girls; Nancy, Alvira or Almira, and Helen. Nancy married a Bishop.

Neania married a man by the name of Miller and lived in Washtenaw Co., Mich.

Kate married Martin Van Buren, a shoemaker of Detroit, Mich.

407. Michael Banker (406) was born in Cherry Valley, Otsego Co., N. Y., June 13, 1808. He married first, Feb. 9, 1829, Mary Ann Van Alstyne, who was born in 1806, a daughter of Abram Van Alstyne and Mary Winne. After her death, he

* This seems a little doubtful. I have found no traces of Bankers in Connecticut at so early a date.

married, Jan. 6, 1839,* her sister, Elizabeth Van Alstyne, who was born Mar. 5, 1807. The latter died Jan. 29, 1891. Michael was a farmer and lived for a time at Cherry Valley, afterwards at Sharon, Schoharie Co., and finally removed to Perth Center, Fulton Co., N. Y., in 1868. He died at his daughter's in Gloversville, N. Y., Mar. 14, 1896. He had three children by his first wife:

Abram Henry, bo. Sept. 7, 1831;
Elizabeth, bo. July 26, 1834;
Nicholas, bo. Aug. 5, 1839.

By his second wife he had six children:

Nancy Myra, bo. Apr. 7, 1842;
Catharine, bo. Apr. 29, 1844;
Philipan, bo. July 3, 1845;
John, bo. Oct. 27, 1846;
Helen, bo. May 9, 1850;
Laura, bo. Sept. 14, 1855.

Abram married Mary Smith, who is now living in Gloversville, N. Y. He was a farmer and lived in Cherry Valley, where he died. He had three children: George, Nicholas, and Albert. George married Luella Horton of Schoharie and had one child, H. Jay. He was a contractor and lived in Gloversville. He and his wife are both dead. Jay is living. Nicholas is unmarried and is a lawyer in Gloversville. Albert married Miss Argesinger, of Johnstown, N. Y., and has one child, Ann. He runs a silk mill at Kingsborough.

Elizabeth married, Jan. 8, 1856, Menzo Simmons, a farmer, who moved from Cherry Valley to Hagaman, N. Y. They are both dead. Elizabeth had six children; Charles, Gertrude, Frank, Clyde, Carrie, and Clark. Charles is married and lives at West Galway, N. Y. Gertrude married John Hagaman, a farmer at Hagaman, N. Y. She and her husband died without issue. Frank is married and lives at Hagaman. He works in the knitting mill. Clyde is married and also works in the knitting mill at Hagaman. Carrie married Robert M. Kennedy, who is superintendent of a knitting mill at Fort Plain, N. Y. Clark is married and works in the knitting mill at Hagaman.

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* Undoubtedly this date is an error. It should probably be 1840 or 1841.

Nicholas married, Mar. 6, 1866, Emma Hull, of Westford, Otsego Co., N. Y. After his death his widow married Dr. Van Court, of Mohawk, who died in June, 1907. She is living in Mohawk. Nicholas was a shoemaker and had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married Frank Howd, a druggist in Herkimer, N. Y.

Nancy married, Sept. 6, 1871, Dr. John Edwards, a son of Thomas Edwards and Anna Fox. He was born June 3, 1847. He is a physician and a graduate of the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons. They live in Gloversville, N. Y. Nancy has one child, Guy, born Apr. 6, 1873. He is unmarried and is a civil engineer located at Syracuse.

Catharine married, Feb. 8, 1865, William Hesler, a son of Lawrence Hesler and ——— Verplanck. He was a merchant tailor and lived at Fort Plain and Gloversville. He is dead and his widow is living at Gloversville. She has one son, Lawrence, who married Bertha Bratt and lives on West St., Gloversville. He is a glove cutter. He has two children, Herbert and Catharine.

Philipan married, Sept. 6, 1865, Peter Kling, a mason in Amsterdam, N. Y. She has three children; Nancy, John, and Robert. Nancy and John are both married and live in Amsterdam. Robert died in the fall of 1906, unmarried.

John was a soldier of the Civil War and served in the 121st N. Y. Vol. Inf. He was mustered in at Cherry Valley. He went as a substitute for a neighbor, became sick in Virginia and died at City Point Hospital Oct. 26, 1864. He is buried at City Point Cemetery.

Helen married, in June, 1868, Edgar J. Best, a policeman of Albany, who is still living there. She is dead. She had one child, Lillian. She married John Sisson, who keeps a bicycle store in Gloversville, N. Y. They live on Montgomery St.

Laura married Isaac Banta, a son of Jesse Banta and ——— Soules. He is a farmer and lives on West Fulton St., Gloversville, near Meco. She has two children, Jesse and Floyd. Neither is married.

JEREMIAH BANKER OF FISHKILL.

408. Jeremiah Banker was born May 26, 1796, at Fishkill, N. Y. His father died when his family was young so that

little information has been preserved of him. Jeremiah had at least two sisters, Phoebe and Susan. All were born in Fishkill, but nothing more is known of the girls. Jeremiah married, Oct. 1, 1818, Helen Seabury, who was born in 1800, a daughter of Tilman Seabury* and Cornelia Kip. He was a merchant of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where he died in April, 1861. His wife died Aug. 14, 1863. He had ten children as follows:

Catharine, bo. Aug. 21, 1819; d. Sept. 11, 1821;
409. John Tilman, bo. May 4, 1821;
Thomas B., bo. Dec. 3, 1822; d. July 10, 1843;
Charles, bo. May 2, 1826; d. July 15, 1826;
William, bo. Jan. 25, 1829; d. about 1870;
Jeremiah, bo. Dec. 22, 1830; d. Feb. 3, 1858;
410. Charles Wesley, bo. June 23, 1833;
George, bo. June 11, 1836; d. Sept. 18, 1837;
Sarah E. bo. Aug 27, 1842;
Mary J., bo. Oct. 9, 1844.

The first two were born at Lynchburg, Va., all the others at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

409. John Tilman Banker (408) was born in Lynchburg, Va., May 4, 1821. He married, Mar. 4, 1845, Caroline Hutchins, who was born Nov. 3, 1825, a daughter of Baron Steuben Hutchins and Ann Maria Bard. He was an accountant and cashier. He lived in Poughkeepsie until 1850, then at various times in New York, Sing Sing, and Rhinebeck until 1864, then in Brooklyn until 1875, and after that date in Cranford, N. J., where he died Mar. 14, 1901. He was buried from the home of his daughter, Mrs. John L. Derby, 115 Holly St. He had five children as follows:

Pierre Augustin, bo. Dec. 5, 1845;
Ida Caroline, bo. Jan. 18, 1847;
Susan Lorraine, bo. July 26, 1851;†
William Bushnell, bo. Dec. 17, 1859;
Grace, bo. Oct. 24, 1862.

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* Tilman Seabury was the fourth in descent from John and Grace Seabury, who lived in Boston in 1639 and afterwards in the Barbadoes. His great-grandmother, Martha Peabody, the second wife of Samuel Seabury, was a granddaughter of John Alden and Priscilla Mullin, who figure in the "Courtship of Miles Standish."

† Also given as 1850.

Pierre married, Nov. 13, 1873, Julia E. Carroll, who was born Mar. 15, 1851, a daughter of William and Olivia Carroll. He is a physician and lived in New York City until 1879, then in Millbrook, N. Y., for a time, and since 1889 he has lived at Elizabeth, N. J. He has had six children: Carrie Olivia, born Sept. 15, 1874, and died Jan. 20, 1878; William Carroll, born Apr. 6, 1880; George Tilman, born May 23, 1882; a pair of twins, Julia Carroll and Harriet Preston, born Apr. 3, 1888; and Pierre Augustin, born Dec. 1, 1892.

Ida married Warren Winslow Emerson and lived in New York City in 1900.

Susan married John L. Derby and lived in Cranford, N. J., in 1900.

William married Edith Armstrong and lived in Jersey City, N. J.

Grace married Jacob L. Derby and lived in Wayne, Pa., in 1900.

410. Charles Wesley Bancker (408) was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 23, 1833. He married, in 1854, Alida McNeil. He was a clerk and lived in Poughkeepsie, where he died Apr. 26, 1894. His wife died there Mar. 24, 1897. He had three children as follows:

Mamie, bo. in November, 1856; d. in 1863;
Alice E., bo. Jan. 3, 1858;
John William, bo. Nov. 8, 1862.

Alice married a Bloomer.

John married, June 26, 1889, Lizzie D. Stone, who was born Sept. 8, 1864, a daughter of James and Mary Stone. He is a carriage maker and lives in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He has six children: Edna A., born Apr. 16, 1890; Elsie May, born June 18, 1891; Charles Louis, born Oct. 7, 1893; Ella Alida, born Oct. 27, 1894; Floyd W., born June 16, 1897; and Herbert C., born Jan. 4, 1899.

ABRAHAM VAN RANCE BANCKER OF PHILADELPHIA.

411. Abraham Van Rance Bancker was born in Baltimore, Md., about 1804. His father is supposed to have been engaged in flour milling, and it is believed that his name was also Abraham Van Rance. The father seems to have died when his

family were young, and the boys at least were bound out to learn a trade. One of the boys, Joseph, is said to have lived in New York City and to have had a large family, but no trace of them has been found. There was at least one girl, Maria, who never married and lived in Mt. Joy, Pa. Abraham had a son whom he named Marinus. This son is still living and understands that he got his name from Col. Marinus Willet, who was in some way connected to the family by marriage. This suggests that the family is descended from one of the sons of Christopher, No. 306,* but none of Christopher's sons was named Abraham. I am inclined to doubt the family tradition that the father of Abraham was another Abraham, but would not be surprised if his name was William and that he married a Van Rance. However, there is no proof of this and it is idle to speculate with so few facts. A careful search of Baltimore records has furnished no clue to the family,† but it seems very probable that it is in some way connected with the Adam Banker family.‡

We know certainly that Abraham drifted to Philadelphia when a young man and there married Elizabeth Grubb about 1826. He became a tailor and lived the rest of his life in that city. He was a soldier in the Mexican War and also served throughout the Civil War in the same regiments as his son Marinus. He died in 1869. His wife died at the age of 68 years. He had the following children:

Valeida;
John;
Morris, } bo. Aug. 12, 1845;
Marinus, }
Charles, died young;
William;
Mary, died young;
Louise;
Van Rance;
Hiram Lee;
Joseph.

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* See page 250.

† An Abraham Banniker, born Oct. 13, 1769, was left an orphan in 1785, but it is not probable he has any connection with the above family.

‡ See page 343.

Valeida was the eldest. She married an Arnold and lived at Iona, Mich. She had at least one son, Henry, who is said to be still living there.

John married and had six children. He was chief bugler in the 13th Connecticut Vol. during the Civil War, and at Port Hudson under General Banks he was one of 200 picked men selected to make a desperate charge over the ramparts of the enemy. The charge was not actually made on account of the surrender of the place. He lived in Philadelphia after the war and is now dead. His wife and two sons and a daughter were living in 1900.

Morris was a twin to Marinus and died young.

Marinus married, Dec. 23, 1863, Hannah Gilmore, who was born Mar. 20, 1846, a daughter of Elizabeth and Arthur Gilmore. He enlisted, Apr. 24, 1861, with the consent of his father, in Co. E, 18th Pa. Vol. Inf. to serve three months, then re-enlisted in Co. C, 91st Pa. Vol. Inf. for three years. After serving over two years, he re-enlisted in the field under orders from the War Department as a veteran volunteer in the same regiment for three years more or during the war. He served until the end of the war and was in every engagement of the Army of the Potomac up to the surrender at Appomattox. He was never wounded, but was once captured by General Ross's Brigade and was soon recaptured by the New Jersey Brigade. He holds three honorable discharges from the Civil War service. He also enlisted in the Spanish War in Co. I, 71st N. Y. Vol., and was all through Cuba with General Shafter. He is a cigar-maker and has his home in Springfield, Mass., with his son. He has only one child, William Marinus, who was born Mar. 16, 1874. The latter married, Aug. 22, 1902, Louise Perry, who was born Oct. 30, 1880, a daughter of Amos Perry and Almira La Belle. He enlisted in Co. C, 1st Reg't U. S. Marine Corps and was with General Chaffee all through the Boxer uprising in China and marched to Peking to the relief of the legations. He is a cigar-maker in Springfield, Mass., and has three children: Edward, born Mar. 29, 1903; Howard, born Nov. 4, 1905; and John, born May 18, 1906.

William was a physician and druggist in New York City and is now dead. He had one son, Charles, who was a druggist on Eighth Ave., in Harlem, in 1900.

Louise married Daniel P. Dieterich, owner of the Goodyear Patent Right. He died Mar. 1, 1892, aged 58 years. She was living in 1900 at the Colonade Hotel. Cor. 15th and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia. She had no children.

Van Rance married and lived in Lexington, Va. He fought on the Confederate side in the Civil War and was an orderly sergeant in a battery of artillery in the famous "Stonewall" Jackson's Brigade. After the war he disappeared suddenly and nothing is known of him. His wife and two children are believed to be living in Lexington.

Hiram married about 1855 Margaret Welsh. He was a musician and lived in Philadelphia, where he died about 1858 or 1859. His widow married again and had six children. Her second husband is dead. She was living in 1900. Hiram had only one child, Hiram Lee, born Sept. 2, 1856. He married first Julia Gable, who died of typhoid fever one year and four months after her marriage. He then married, Jan. 31, 1898, Lucy Garver, who was born Sept. 29, 1875, a daughter of Wesley B. and Susanna Garver. He is a stone-cutter and a chenille-weaver and was living in 1900 at 2969 Leithgow St., Philadelphia. He had no children by either marriage.

ROBERT BANKER OF COEYMAN'S HOLLOW.

412. Robert Banker is said to have come from Holland about 1812 and settled in Coeyman's Hollow, fifteen miles south of Albany, in a log cabin. He had a large family, one or two born probably in Holland. The preceding statements are tradition. They are probably true except respecting his coming from Holland. It is more probable that he came from somewhere farther down the Hudson, and the family is likely one of the lost lines of Laurens or Gerrit. It is a common thing in family traditions to lose several generations. There was a Robert Banker in Capt. Thos. Ellison's Company of foot from Highland Precinct in Col. Gaasbeek's Reg't of Ulster Co. militia in 1738. I can throw no further light on the ancestry of this Robert Banker of Coeyman's Hollow. Of his children we know only that one was Bram (Abraham) and another was Robert. Of the former nothing further is known.

413. Robert Banker, son of the above, was born in Coeyman's Hollow and married Jane Houghtailing; her mother's name was Sarah. It is said that Robert and his wife could speak Dutch freely. He had two children:

Catharine, bo. 1836 (?);

414. Jasper, bo. Aug. 28, 1840.

Catharine married first Zebulon Miner, a laborer, by whom she had four children. She afterward married Charles Palmer, also a laborer, by whom she had three children. She is now living at New Baltimore, N. Y. Her children by her first husband were: Emma Jane, Charles, Kate, and Belle. By her second husband she had: William, Frank, and Minnie.

414. Jasper Banker (413) was born in Coeyman's Hollow Aug. 28, 1840. He married first, Jan. 13, 1863, Pearline Palmer, a sister of Charles Palmer and a daughter of Copeland Palmer and Nancy Drew. After her death he married second Hannah Seaburgh, who was born Dec. 17, 1844, a daughter of John Seaburgh* and Margarie Snyder. At the time of her marriage to Jasper she was the widow of John Seaburgh, who, so far as known, was no relation to her. By her first husband Hannah had one daughter, Laura, born Dec. 2, 1867. Jasper is a carpenter and lives at 4 Charles St., Albany. The following record of his children was taken from an old family Bible, in which the name was usually spelled Bonker. By his first wife he had:

Alvin E. Palmer, bo. Aug. 4, 1861;
Emeline P., bo. Oct. 1, 1863;
Alfred P., bo. Aug. 27, 1865;
Jennie, bo. Jan. 27, 1871.

By his second wife he had:

Edward, bo. Oct. 15, 1883.

Alvin married, July 4, 1886, Minnie Fletcher. He is a painter and lives in Brookview, N. Y. He has seven children: Arthur, Thomas, born Sept. 16, 1887, Alvin, Lizzie, Harry, Hattie, and Edith.

Alfred married, Oct. 12, ——, Hester Wickham, who was born Mar. 11, 1868, a daughter of J. and S. Wickham. Alfred is a paperhanger and resides at 15 Gansevoort St., Albany. He

* Also spelled Seburck.

has four children: Charles, born about 1890; Henry, born about 1892; Harry, born about 1895; and Bertie, born about 1897.

ADAM BANKER OF BALTIMORE.

415. ADAM BANKER lived in Baltimore, Md., and was a millwright. Nothing further could be learned of his ancestry and I cannot identify him with any of the lines that I have traced, but see page 339. He died in Indiana Oct. 10, 1868.* He had four children as follows:

416. John, bo. Apr. 18, 1818;
Emanuel;
Christopher, bo. Oct. 19, 1826;
Daniel;

Emanuel and Daniel have been traced no further.

Christopher married, Mar. 9, 1848, Elizabeth Carney.† He was a farmer and stock-raiser and lived in Salina county, Kan., where he died Oct. 19, 1898. He enlisted as a private in the Civil War and served in the 167th Ohio National Guards. He had four children: John A., born Dec. 23, 1848; Walter E., born June 7, 1853; William H., born Oct. 13, 1857; and Annie C., born Jan. 11, 1863. The children all live in Salina, Kan.

416. JOHN BANKER (415) was born Apr. 18, 1818. He married Elizabeth Kearney, who was born Jan. 27, 1820, a daughter of Michael Kearney.‡ He was a farmer and lived in Butler county, Ohio, until 1849, after that in Shelby county, Ind., then with his son Demetrius in Kansas, where he died Oct. 30, 1890. He had five children as follows:

Demetrius, bo. Nov. 27, 1842;
Adoniram Judson, bo. Jan. 8, 1845;
Wilson Thompson, bo. Apr. 6, 1848;
Lavina Ellen, bo. May 5, 1852;
Mary Belle, bo. Dec. 12, 1854.

Demetrius married, Mar. 8, 1864, Sarah Jane Watson, who was born Apr. 1, 1845, a daughter of Clinton and Vashti Watson. He is a farmer and came to Shelby county, Ind., with his

* Also given as Oct. 1, 1869.
† She was a first cousin of the Elizabeth Carney or Kearney who married his brother John.
‡ Also given as Carney.

father in 1849, where he has since lived except from 1884 to 1893, when he lived in Kansas. He has seven children: Edwin Benham, born Jan. 10, 1865; Mary Elizabeth, born Mar. 8, 1868; John Roscoe, born Aug. 18, 1870; Minnie Belle, born Feb. 21, 1873; Ora Clinton, born Jan. 13, 1875; Edith Luella, born Apr. 5, 1881; and Earl Judson, born Oct. 12, 1889.

Adoniram married Mary H. Boyd, a daughter of Ezekiel C. Boyd. He is a physician and surgeon of eminent ability. He is the proprietor of the Columbus Surgical Hospital at Columbus, Ind. He is a graduate of the Indiana Medical College, Indianapolis, of Bellevue Hospital and Medical College, New York, and of the Polyclinic, Chicago, Ill. He is ex-United States Examining Surgeon; Surgeon for the P. C. C. & St. L. Railroad and the Big Four Railroad; Professor of Surgery in the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons, Indianapolis; ex-professor of obstetrics in Central College; and delegate to the Tubercular Congress, Berlin, Germany. He has no children.

Wilson is a physician associated with his brother in the management of the Hospital at Columbus, Ind. He married Hattie E. Keith and has eight children: Mary Elizabeth, Thomas A., William, born Nov. 24, 1883, Ethel Amina, Edna Lavina, Mildred Rose, John Keith, and Helena Martha. William is a draughtsman and lives at 3558 Prairie Ave., Chicago.

Lavina lives in Burlington, Kansas.

Mary lives in Columbus, Ind.

EBENEZER BANKER.

417. Ebenezer Banker was a farmer and lived in Auburn, N. Y., where he purchased property as early as 1829. He was associated with Levi Banker in the ownership of land near Auburn in 1833. These facts incline me to believe that he was a brother of Levi and probably a son of Peter.* In 1839 he went to Jonesville, Mich., and the next year bought 160 acres from the government three and a half miles southwest of Hillsdale near where the village of Bankers now stands. He died here Apr. 26, 1847. He married Janette Gloud and had eight children as follows:

Horace E.;

Charles A.;

* See page 228.

George Gloud, bo. Jan. 1, 1830;
Eliza Jane;
Mary H.;
Evaline N.;
Caroline O.;
James H.

Charles, Caroline, and James died before 1903.

Horace has not been traced.

George married first, in 1853, Mary O. Kelly. She died Aug. 6, 1896, and he married second, Mar. 2, 1898, Ellen M. Thurston, who was born Oct. 25, 1862, a daughter of Stephen and Sarah King Thurston. George was a baggage-man for the old Michigan Southern Railroad for some years, but in 1854 he bought a farm directly across the road from his father's, where he lived to the time of his death, Jan. 20, 1900. He was sheriff of Hillsdale county for four years, having been elected in November, 1888. His widow is living in Hillsdale, Mich. He had two children by his first wife, Ebenezer and Georgiana. By his second marriage he had one daughter, Violet, born Feb. 11, 1899.

Eliza married a Cooper and died in 1885.

Mary married a Gale and was living in Toledo, Ohio, in 1903.

Evaline married, in 1867, Justis Gray, a merchant of Hillsdale, Mich., and afterward moved to Kalamazoo, where she lives at 730 West Willard St. She has one son, Fred Justin, born Oct. 22, 1870. He is a traveling salesman in the hardware business. He is married and has one son, Robert B., born Oct. 9, 1898, in Hillsdale.

LAWRENCE BONKER OF NEW MARLBOROUGH, ULSTER CO., N. Y.

418. Lawrence Bonker was a soldier of the Revolution. I think that he was in all probability the son of Rombout Bancker, born Apr. 27, 1728.* He enlisted in the 5th Reg't of the New York Line under Col. Lewis Dubois and died in the service at Johnstown, N. Y., in 1779. He is reported to have left the service July 3, 1779. This is probably the date of his death. His family were living in the Precinct of New Marl-

*-See page 34.

borough, Ulster Co., at that time, and his wife, Mary, received supplies of wheat from the state from February to April, 1779. In 1781, Mary gave bonds for the administration of the estate of her husband as also at the same time for the administration of the estate of her son, William, late a soldier in Col. Dubois's Reg't. She probably afterward married a Jackson. Lawrence appears to have had the following children:

William;
Solomon;
Abraham;
John;
Hannah.

William was a soldier of the Revolutionary War. He enlisted Feb. 10, 1777, as a private in Capt. Amos Hutchings's Company in the 5th Reg't of the New York Line under Col. Dubois. He was taken prisoner at the capture of Ft. Montgomery Oct. 6, 1777, was discharged Feb. 28, 1778, and died before Apr. 10, 1780. There seems to be some uncertainty about his death, and it may have occurred soon after his capture, very possibly while confined in the loathsome British prisons in New York. By virtue of his service he obtained a right to six hundred acres of land known as Lot Number 77, in the township of Ovid in the Military Tract. On June 20, 1791, Solomon Bonker of Memacatling, Ulster Co., N. Y., John Bonker of Sussex county, N. J., and Mary Bonker, "now called Mary Jackson," of Sussex county, N. J., sold this lot to Abraham Westfall. According to a later deed given by Westfall for this same tract John Bonker and Mary Bonker are said to be heirs of William Bonker, deceased, but nothing is said as to Solomon. In 1802, Abraham Bonker of Clarkstown, Rockland Co., N. Y., Hannah Miller of Plattstown, Ulster Co., N. Y., and John Bonker of Wantage, Sussex Co., N. J., said to be brothers and sister and heirs at law of William Bonker, sold "three full and equal undivided fourth parts" of Lot No. 77 in the township of Ovid, to Philip Ross. It is on the ground of these records that I conclude that William, Solomon, John, Abraham, and Hannah were brothers and sister, and children of Lawrence and Mary Bonker of New Marlborough.

Solomon was also a soldier in the Revolutionary War and served in Capt. David Ostrander's Company of Col. Johannes

Johnson's Reg't. the 4th Ulster Co. Militia, for which he received 16s., the company being out from June 21 to June 29, 1780. He served under Col. Marinus Willet in the Levies that joined the 5th New York Reg't from July 25 to Dec. 15, 1780, for which he received £12, 10s. 8d. He then served in Capt. Gilbert J. Livingston's Company (also called Capt. John Burnet's Company) of Col. Albert Pawling's Reg't of New York Levies from April to December 19, 1781, for which he received £20, 16s. He also served in Capt. Andrew White's Company of Col. Frederick Weissenfal's Reg't of New York State Levies from May to Dec. 31, 1782, for which he received £21, 6s. 8d. He married Debora Numan in the Dutch Reformed Church of New Paltz, Mar. 21, 1784, and was living in Memakating, Ulster Co., now Sullivan Co., about 1790, at which time he had two boys.

The family was not traced further.

STEPHEN BANKER OF HAMLIN.

419. STEPHEN BANKER married Eunice ———. He lived in the town of Hamlin, N. Y., where he died July 26, 1865. His wife died May 16, 1899. He had at least five children as follows:

William H.;
John W.;
Amanda M.;
Mary;
Sarah.

William lived in Hamlin in 1865 and in Gainse, N. Y., in 1899.

John married Helen E. ———. He lived in Hamlin in 1865, but died before 1899. He had at least three children: John, Elmer F., and Minnie. He also had an adopted son, Burton J., who lived in Knowlesville, N. Y. Of these children John married Jennie ——— and lived in Syracuse, N. Y., in 1899. Elmer lived in Yuba, Washington. Minnie married an Underdaunk and lived in Syracuse, N. Y.

Amanda married Reuben Paine, Jr. She lived in Hamlin in 1865 and in Clarkson, N. Y., in 1899.

Mary married Edwin Ross. She lived in Sweden, N. Y., in 1865 and in Kuckville, Orleans Co., in 1899.

Sarah married Elisha Underhill and lived in Litchfield, Montgomery Co., Ill., in 1865. She died before 1899. She had four children; Dora, Phoebe, William, and Henry. Dora married a Campfield and lived in Kansas City, Kan., in 1899. Phoebe married a Rollins and lived in Rome City, Ind. The two boys were living in southern Missouri. All were over 21 years old.

THOMAS BANKER OF DELAWARE CO.

420. THOMAS BANKER lived in Delaware county, New York. He had a large family, of whom there is known only:

421. James B., bo. January, 1830.

421. JAMES B. BANKER (420) married, in August, 1858, at Franklin, Delaware Co., N. Y., Helen E. Freer, who was born in October, 1840, a daughter of Minard and Rhoda Freer. He was a shoemaker before the war. He enlisted in the 7th Mich. Inf. in 1861. Since the war he has been a cook, residing chiefly in Philadelphia. He has two children:

Willis G., bo. Sept. 8, 1859;

Florence A., bo. Mar. 8, 1862.

Willis married, Sept. 15, 1885, at Estherville, Iowa, Mary T. Bingham, a daughter of Lemuel R. Bingham and Martha Tracy. He was educated at the Delaware Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y., 1874- 1878. He engaged in business in Iowa from 1878 to 1882. He then entered the Western Theological Seminary at Allegheny, Pa., where he remained three years. He became a Presbyterian minister and supplied at Denison, Iowa, from 1885 to 1887, was pastor in Greenfield, Mo., 1887 to 1890, then at McPherson, Kan., until 1894, and since then he has been at Lawrence, Kan. He received the degree of A. M. from the University of Kansas in 1895. He has four children: Julian Warfield, born Apr. 6, 1887; Bertha Bingham, born May 30, 1889; Willis Rothwell, born Jan. 25, 1893; and Martha Tracy, born Sept. 30, 1898.

Florence married the Rev. C. P. Boardman and lives at 3716 Portland Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

JOHN BANKER OF VERMONT.

422. JOHN BANKER married Elizabeth Nichols, who was born Mar. 2, 1825. He was a stone-cutter and lived in Vermont.

He died in 1881 and his wife died in 1896. He had seven children as follows: George W., Howard E., Abbie A., Mary A., Hattie E., Sarah F., and Martha J. All are dead except Mary, Hattie, and Sarah. It is supposed that John had brothers living in New York state named George Washington, Sidney, Elias, and Marcus. There was also a Vinal in the family.

Hattie E. married a Brown and lives in Rowley, Mass.

Martha J. married C. E. Harrigan, who was born in 1864, a son of Daniel and Laura Harrigan. Her husband is a painter and they lived in Newburyport, Mass., in 1906. She died in June, 1907. She had three children: Elsie M., born Mar. 22, 1884; Everette D., born June 21, 1886; and Homer A., born June 13, 1892.

From the names in this family, the probable date of John's birth, his location in Vermont, and the traditions concerning family names I felt confident that John was the son of John Banker No. 40, page 70, but I was assured by Elias Banker that his brother John died in infancy.

JAMES BANKER.

423. James Banker was born about 1750. I have not been able to identify him with any of the lines which I have traced. He married Phoebe Sherer. He was a soldier of the Revolution and enlisted as a private in Capt. John Doughty's Company* of Col. John Lamb's Continental Artillery. He held the position of matross, and in 1781 received £39 pay. He also became entitled to a right of 600 acres of land in the Military Tract for his services in the war. This right he sold Mar. 4,

* This company has had a remarkable history. It was first organized Mar. 14, 1776, as the "New York Provincial Company of Artillery," under Capt. Alexander Hamilton. With the Declaration of Independence it changed its name to the "New York State Company of Artillery." During the struggle for New York City and the retreat across the Jerseys the company was frequently engaged and did excellent service. In March, 1777, Hamilton was promoted to Washington's staff, and the New York Convention authorized the transfer of the company to the service of the United States. Washington at once appointed Capt. John Doughty to its command and it was attached to the newly organized 2d Regiment of Artillery under Col. John Lamb. The company saw active service throughout the war, being engaged at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, and Yorktown. At the close of the war, when the Continental Army was disbanded, this company was retained in the United States service, where it has maintained an unbroken record to the present. It is now known as Battery F, 4th Reg't, U. S. Art.

1791, to Wm. McKown for £40.* After the war he lived near Sackett's Harbor, but after 1812 he moved to Canada. In 1829, he was living in Springsport, Cayuga Co., N. Y., and in 1839 he moved to Oakland county, Mich., to live with some of his children. He died sometime after 1843, said to have been over 100 years old. He drew a pension of $96 a year. His name is written in his papers both Bancker and Banker. He had eight children as follows: Matilda, Amy, Lucretia, Phoebe Ann, Caroline, Harry, Platt, and William S.

Platt died young. William S. returned from Canada to the States about 1834 and was living with his son, E. Warren, in Lansingburgh, N. Y., in 1902. Both are now dead. A son or grandson of E. Warren, Capt. Edward Warren Banker, is in the United States Marines, now (1909) on duty at headquarters, Washington, D. C. He is engaged to Katherine Bruce Langtry, a daughter of George Langtry of New Orleans.

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* For further possible Revolutionary service see page 354.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

424. Deliverance Bonker was born in Cortland Manor about 1728 and belonged to the militia company of Capt. Jas. Tallier. He enlisted Apr. 4, 1758, in Capt. John Verplank's Company for the French and Indian War. He is described as 5 ft. 8 in. high with gray eyes, fair complexion, and round features. He appears to have enlisted again the next year, Mar. 29, 1759, in Capt. Gilchrist's Company. He again enlisted in the latter company, Apr. 17, 1760, when his height is given as 6 ft. It seems very possible that he may have been a son of Hendrick Bancker No. 5, and would, therefore, come between Rachel and Hendrick. It may be noted that there is a five year gap in the record at this point which he seems to properly fill, but see Gregorius, following.

425. Gregorius Bancker enlisted from Philipsburg for the French and Indian War Apr. 11, 1758. He is described as 5 ft. 9 in. high, with gray eyes and a round face. He had been in the militia company of Capt. Del. Conkling. He was born about 1728. He and Jannetje Bancker were sponsors at the baptism of Frederick, son of Hendrick Banker, No. 37. It is probable also that he enlisted in Capt. John Honeyman's Company for the expedition against Canada and was mustered in Sept. 26, 1746.

426. Jacob Boncker, born in Philipsburg about 1740, enlisted in Capt. John Verplank's Company for the French and Indian War Apr. 8, 1758. He belonged to the militia company of Nathaniel Hyatt and is described as 5 ft. 8 in. high, with gray eyes and a round, ruddy countenance.

427. John Banker, born in Philipsburg about 1738, enlisted Apr. 13, 1758, in Capt. Jonathan Fowler's Company for the French and Indian War. He had been in the militia company of Capt. Gilbert Drake and is described as 5 ft. 11 in. high, with brown eyes, and "long say round visage."

428. JOHN BANKER from West Jersey enlisted Apr. 2, 1758, in Capt. John McEver's Company of the New York troops. He is described as of a brown complexion. A John Banker died in the army in 1758.

429. JOHN BANCKER was a soldier of the Revolution He was pursued and apprehended as a suspect by Capt. Henry Humpey in November, 1777. He enlisted Jan. 9, 1778, as a private in Capt. John Johnson's Company of the 5th Reg't of the New York Line under Col. Dubois for the war, was transferred about May, 1779, to Major Samuel Logan's Company in the same regiment, and deserted Mar. 1, 1780. He resided in Nine Partners, Dutchess Co., N. Y. There was a John Bancker who served in Capt. Isaac Van Wyck's Company of Col. Abraham Brinckerhoff's Reg't, the 2d Dutchess Co. Militia, to June 11, 1779, for which he received £1, 3d.; also one who served in Capt. Peter Roosa's Company of Col. Johannes Johnson's Reg't of Ulster Co. militia from Apr. 27, to May 10, 1780, in the service of the United States by order of Gov. Clinton, for which he received £19, 6½d. It is not certain that these are all the same John Bancker.

430. BETHUEL BANCKER was a soldier of the Revolution and was associated with John above. He was pursued and apprehended as a suspect at the same time as John by Capt. Henry Humpey in November, 1777. He is mentioned as in Capt. John Johnson's Company in the 5th Reg't of the New York Line with the following record: "Entered Jan. 9, 1778, for the war, deserted 1st muster, mustered June, 1778, Corporal Oct., 1779, deserted Mar., 1780." He was also in Major's Company of the same regiment and was absent on furlough from Jan. 6, 1780, to Feb. 4, 1780.

431. JACOBUS BANCKER, a Revolutionary soldier, was born in Fishkill about 1756 and is described as 5 ft. 7 in. high, with light hair and complexion. He served as a private in Capt. Samuel Sacket's Company of the 4th New York Line under Col. Henry B. Livingston. He enlisted Jan. 11, 1777, for the war and deserted Oct. 11, 1777. He was pursued and apprehended with Bethuel and John as a suspect by Capt. Humpey in November, 1777. He or another served in Capt. John Crane's

Company of Col. Henry Ludeington's Reg't, the 7th Dutchess Co. Militia to June 16, 1779, for which he received £1, 15s. 11d.

432. STEPHEN BANKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served in Col. Hopkin's Reg't in the year 1777 at Peekskill. He served in Col. Abraham Brinckerhoff's Reg't of Dutchess Co. Militia in 1779 and 1780, for which he received 11s. 4½d. This service was from June 1 to 11, 1779, and from June 7 to 12, 1780, in each case on a general alarm to repell the enemy by order of Gov. Clinton. He also served in Capt. John Van Benschoten's Company of Col. Roswell Hopkin's Reg't of militia of the State of New York in the service of the United States at Fishkill from Oct. 10, to Nov. 22, 1779, both days included; also including two days marching home, 40 miles, for which he received £3, 3s. 3d. The above is doubtless, in part at least, the Stephen Banker described on page 145.

433. THOMAS BANKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served in Capt. Lemuel Conklin's Company of Col. Morris Graham's Reg't to Nov. 24, 1779, for which he received £4, 3s. He served as a private in Capt. Leonard Bleecker's Company of the 3d Reg't of the New York Line under Col. Peter Gansevoort. He enlisted July 15, 1780, for five months and was discharged Dec. 15, 1780. He then enlisted in Capt. Gilbert J. Livingston's Company of Col. Albert Pawling's Reg't of New York Levies and served from April to Dec. 21, 1781, for which he received £17, 6s. 8d. He also served in Col. William Humphrey's Reg't of Dutchess Co. militia. The above is doubtless, in part at least, the Thomas Banker described on page 58.

434. FREDERICK BANCKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served as private in Capt. Gilbert Dean's Company of Col. James Hammond's Reg't of New York militia at various times between Mar. 20 and Aug. 1, 1777, a total of 23 days. He served in Capt. Henry Humphrey's Company of New Levies raised by order of the Governor for the defence of the frontiers. This service ended Dec. 14, 1780, for which he received £3, 13s. 9d. It seems very probable that the above is the Frederick Banker described on page 59. There was also a Frederick Bancker in Col. John Hathorn's Reg't of Orange Co. militia.

435. JAMES BANCKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served in 1780 in Capt. Lothrop Allen's Company of Col. John Harper's Reg't, for which he received a total of £17, 8s. 5d. He was at Fort Herkimer in September and at Albany Dec. 1, 1780. The service ended Nov. 30, 1780. He was very probably the James Banker who afterwards served in the artillery. See page 349.

436. JUSTUS BANKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served in Col. John Hathorn's Reg't of Orange Co. militia, for which he received a total of £39, 2s. 11¼d. It seems possible that the name should have been Bunker. There was a family of that name in Orange county at this date.

437. ABRAHAM BONKER, a Revolutionary soldier of North Castle, Westchester Co., served in Capt. Jacob Purdy's Company of Col. Thomas Thomas's Reg't, the 2d Westchester Co. Militia, to July 16, 1779, for which he received £3, 15s. 6d.

438. JOHN BANCKER was a member of Anthony Winne's Class of Capt. Van Arnem's Company in Col. Philip P. Schuyler's Reg't of militia in 1782. He was in the 3d Reg't of the New York Line.

439. NICHOLAS BANCKER, a Revolutionary soldier, served in Col. Henry Ludenton's Reg't of Dutchess Co. militia.

440. GERARD BANCKER was a member of Col. Cuyler's Reg't in Albany in 1782. He may have been Gerrit. See page 285.

441. HESTER BANKER was a sponsor with Johannes Lyfer at the baptism of Johannes, son of Frans Breyert and Jannitje, June 3, 1740 in the Sleepy Hollow church. She was undoubtedly of the Laurens Bancker family, but I cannot place her further.

442. MARY BANKER, according to George W. Cocks, of Glen Cove, N. Y., was the wife of Jacob Covert, and they resided in the vicinity of Peekskill in 1760. He was supposed to be from Long Island and she was believed to be a descendant of Laurens Banckert and Niesje DeGroot. I cannot identify her with any one in these records.

443. MATHEUS BANKER and his wife Rebecca had a daughter, Rachel, baptized at Sleepy Hollow June 21, 1762. The sponsors were William Artse and his wife, Maritje. It has not

been possible to determine whose son Matheus was. He was undoubtedly a grandson of Laurens, but beyond that it has not been possible to go.

444. ADRIAN BANCKER was one of the Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in the City of New York in 1769 and was one of a committee of four elders and four deacons who had charge of the building of the church that year for English service. Whether this was Adrian No. 335 or Adrian No. 309 I cannot decide, but think it was probably the latter.

445. ABRAHAM BANCKER, a shoemaker of New York City, married Abigail King, the license being dated Apr. 20, 1771. He had at least one son, John K. Bancker, a merchant of New York, who married Margaret ———. John owned a farm in Fishkill three or four years before his death. He also owned property in Newburgh. He died between Sept. 5 and Oct. 22, 1804, and had at least two children, John Mason and Delia.

446. WILLEMYNTJE BANKER was the wife of Abraham Ecker according to the Sleepy Hollow records, but I cannot identify her. She and her husband were sponsors at the baptism of Willemyntje, daughter of Jacob and Jenneke Ecker, June 17, 1783. See page 53. They were also sponsors at the baptism of Abraham, son of Sybout and Engeltje Ecker, Apr. 17, 1773. See page 49.

447. RACHEL BANKER, wife of Gerrit Gersen, witnessed a baptism in Hackensack, N. J., Oct. 17, 1773.

448. STEVEN BANKER, of Fishkill, married Rebecca Heermans, of Rhinebeck, in New Hackensack, Jan. 16, 1773.

449. STEVEN BANKER married Catharine Stevens and had Maria, born Sept. 2, 1778. The witnesses at this baptism, which occurred in New Hackensack, were Gerardus Bancker and his mother, Maria Ogden. This item is somewhat perplexing. It seems that Steven must be an error for John. So far as known, Maria Ogden (Bancker) had no son Steven. The name does not occur in that line of Banckers. Maria, however, had a son John, who married for his second wife Catharine Stevens and was living in the vicinity of Poughkeepsie at about this time or a little later. See the records of this family on page 283.

450. JOHANNES BANCKER married Geertruyd Jacobi in Albany, Apr. 19, 1778. He was perhaps the John Banker who was a private in a company of militia in Albany in 1767, and may have been also the John Banker who was elected constable of the 2d ward in Albany Sept. 29, 1782. He had at least three children: Henry, born Feb. 9, 1779; Margarita, bapt. Oct. 27, 1780; and Abram, born Dec. 16, 1790. It seems probable that Johannes belongs to the Gerrit Bancker family, but I am not able to connect him; in fact the only possible connection appears to be that he was a son of Johannes No. 346, but there is nothing to show that Johannes had more than the one son, Gerrit.

451. ABRAHAM BANCKER married Mary Sitcher in New York City. He had at least four children: Henry, born June 5, 1792; Mary, born Aug. 30, 1794; Rachel, born Feb. 1, 1797; and Sophia, born Sept. 29, 1799.

452. HENRY BANKER purchased 100 acres of land in Carmel, N. Y., May 7, 1803.

453. JEREMIAH BONKER, according to a register of deeds in Auburn, N. Y., made a conveyance of his right to lands in the Military Tract to Stephen Mapes, Oct. 25, 1791.

454. OLIVER BONKER (or Bancker) and wife Hannah, sold land in Aurelius, Cayuga Co., N. Y., Apr. 18, 1810. An Oliver Bonker with a wife and two sons was living in Bedford, Westchester Co., in 1790.

455. JAMES BANCKER bought land in Oppenheim, Montgomery Co., N. Y., in 1814.

456. ISAAC BANKER, of Marcellus, Onondaga Co., N. Y., bought Lot 36 in Marcellus Dec. 4, 1816, and sold it the next spring.

457. JAMES W. BANCKER was a circus-rider and when a boy was connected with the North Pearl St. Circus in Albany, N. Y. He first rode in Albany in 1823 at a circus located on the corner of Eagle and State Streets. When the North Pearl Street Circus opened in 1826, he was one of the first company and rode the first horse and threw the first somersault in the house. He became riding master later. This amphitheater, or

hippodrome, was at that time one of the most spacious and perfect in its appointments in the Union. In 1857, he was the only one of the original company living and was then time agent for Sloat and Shephard's Circus. He also conducted a circus on Beaver Street between Green and South Market. In 1860 the Albany Morning Express, speaking of the Pearl Street Circus, said: "There is only one left of that immortal horse opera house and that is Jim Bancker, who looks as young and agile as he did twenty-five years ago. Jim keeps a splendid saloon on Walnut Street above Eighth, Philadelphia."

458. W. Bancker was a circus-rider in the North Pearl Street Circus in Albany, N. Y., in 1826. He is mentioned in connection with "J. Bancker," and was probably a brother of James Bancker described above.

459. Daniel Banker was a farmer of Putnam county, N. Y., and lived in the town of Carmel. It seems probable that he was married, July 3, 1795, to Mary Burgdough by the Rev. Silas Constant at Yorktown. I cannot identify him, but think he belongs in the Jacob Bancker family of Chapter XIX. He died intestate Aug. 10, 1833, and left a widow, Mary, and ten children as follows: Elizabeth, Harriet, Phoebe, Parmelia, Alson, Jacob, Elias, Silas, Mary, and Louisa. Elizabeth married Charles Agor. Harriet married Job Wright, who died before 1833. Phoebe was unmarried in 1846. Parmelia, unmarried, joined the Presbyterian Church at Hanover in January, 1825. Alson married Emeline ———. Jacob owned a farm adjoining his father's. He married Ann Maria ———, and was living as late as 1850. Elias purchased the interest of the other heirs in his father's farm, married Margaret Ann ———, and was living as late as 1861. Silas married Cornelia ——— and was a farmer of Carmel. He had at least four children; Daniel, Stephen, Sarah, and Mary. Sarah married a Purcell and Mary married a Wright. Silas died between Aug. 1, 1871, and Apr. 27, 1875, and his wife died between May 27 and June 15, 1871. Louisa married Seth Barret.

460. John Banker, of Peekskill, died July 18, 1834, aged 58 yrs., 1 mo. and 10 dys. He left a wife, Mary, and two daughters, Phoebe, who married Robert Slater, and Jane, who married

Hugh W. McDonnell. He also had a daughter, Mary, who died July 7, 1809, aged 7 years, and a daughter, Jean, who died Mar. 6, 1806, aged 6 days.

461. Abraham Banker and wife, Phoebe, lived in New Castle, Westchester Co., N. Y., and sold land there in 1841. In 1860, they sold a piece of land to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Pine's Bridge.

462. Eli Banker and wife, Cluda, lived in Pawling, Dutchess Co., N. Y., in 1842.

463. Eugene Delavan Banker married, July 3, 1849, Submit Tuttle, who was born May 28, 1822, a daughter of William Amos Tuttle and Prudence Marshall. His wife died without issue and nothing further is known of him.

464. Sarah Banker, wife of Gerretson Banker of Yorktown, Westchester Co., N. Y., sold land there in 1850 and 1864.

465. Mary Banker, who died in New York City in 1851, had a granddaughter Mary S. D., wife of Joseph E. Mount, at that time.

466. Gerard Bancker and wife, Phoebe, of Yonkers, sold land there in 1853.

467. Samuel Bonker died intestate in Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 1, 1858, leaving no widow.

Arad Bonker, brother of Samuel, received letters of administration in the above estate Jan. 16, 1860.

Sarah Banker, of Auburn, N. Y., and James V. Bonker of Sterling, Cayuga Co., were parties interested in the above estate, but relationship not stated.

468. Daniel Banker and wife Esther, of the town of Harrison, Westchester Co., sold land there Apr. 7, 1860. He died in 1866.

469. Charles Henry Banker and wife, Maria, lived in Utica, N. Y., in 1869.

470. Sarah Banker died in New York City between Mar. 22 and 29, 1875. Her maiden name is not known. She had a daughter not over 40 years old in 1875, who seems to have mar-

ried first a man by the name of Moll, by whom she had a son, Edward Eugene, not 21 years old in 1875, and she afterward married some one by the name of Young, by whom she had at least one child, May De Forrest. Sarah also had a sister, Margaret, who married a Cox and had two daughters, Margaret and Catharine.

471. James H. Banker, of Tarrytown, made his will Jan. 22, 1884, and it was admitted to probate May 6, 1885. He was associated with Cornelius Vanderbilt and was connected in some way with the New York Central Railroad. He had a brother, Edward, and his wife was Ellen Josephine Gottsberger. He appears to have had no children. He was wealthy and owned a large estate near Tarrytown. His widow died in 1903 and distributed the estate by will chiefly to her relatives, nephews and nieces, giving besides $10,000 to Columbia University and $25,000 for the benefit of the Bloomingdale Insane Asylum in White Plains. It may be noted in this connection that a James H. Banker was appointed administrator of the estate of his father, Edward, who died intestate in New York City in 1866.

472. Edward W. Banker, of the town of Cortlandt, Westchester Co., N. Y., died shortly before Feb. 26, 1892, and left at least a widow, Mary E. Jacobs.

473. Charles S. Banker was born Nov. 8, 1852. He had a brother Albert and a sister Martha. His father died about 1855, when Charles was five years old, and he has lost all trace of his brother and sister and other blood relatives. Charles married, Apr. 6, 1872, Harriet A. Carson, who was born Feb. 3, 1852, a daughter of Darius and Mary Carson. He is a machinist and lived in Logan, Schuyler Co., N. Y., from 1857 after the death of his mother until 1871, when he went to Burdett, N. Y., where he lived for ten years. The next ten years he lived in Antrim, Pa. Since 1895 he has lived in Syracuse, N. Y., where he has charge of the works of the Direct Separator Co., and lives on a farm which he owns just outside of the city. He has had children: Walter P., born Apr. 7, 1873, and died July 12, 1899; John H., born Aug. 16, 1875; and Charles A., born Feb. 3, 1879.

474. John Banker lived in Lansingburgh, N. Y., about 1877. His wife, Margaret, died in December, 1876, leaving him

with four small children. He was reported as a man of dissolute habits unfit to care for his children. He had: Margaret, born a little before 1863; Ernest, born Jan. 6, 1867; Joseph, born Feb. 8, 1871; and Emma, born May 1, 1874. Emma was committed to St. Vincent's Female Orphan Asylum by Duane Lockwood on Jan. 13, 1879. She died there Dec. 1, 1879. In 1889 letters of administration were issued to Ernest, at which time the whereabouts of Joseph and Margaret were unknown. These children had a half-sister, Mary, twenty-one years old in 1877.

475. Minnie Olive Banker was born Apr. 13, 1875, a daughter of Eugene Banker. Her mother died when she was but two weeks old and her father gave her for adoption to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sims. The papers of adoption are dated Hamilton, Litchfield Co., Conn., Apr. 19, 1876. Both of her adopted parents died before she was fourteen years old, and she has never learned anything of her parents or their relatives. She now lives at 136 Wooden St., Rochester, N. Y.

476. Fred Banker married Mary Witegen. He had five children: Anne, who married a Gutkis and lives at 92 Van Dyke St., South Brooklyn; Mary, who married a Tourell; Julia, who married a Zeck; Charles; and Fred J., who married Mary Anthony. Fred J. keeps a saloon at 2008 Webster Ave., New York City. He has two sons, Joseph and Frederick.

477. Jacob Banker was a farmer and lived in Coeymans. He married first Maria Acker and second Mary Bratt. He died about 1898 in South Bethlehem, where his widow still lives. He had five children: Melissa, who married a Paddock and lives in New Baltimore Station; Julia, who married Henry Snyder and lives in the Helderbergs; Jacob, who lives in Delmar; Charles, who lives at 9 Yates St., Albany; and David, born Sept. 25, 1871.

David married, Nov. 26, 1891, Robertina Taylor, who was born Aug. 26, 1869, a daughter of William Taylor and Rachel D. Doran. He is a laundryman and lives at 9 Yates St., Albany. He has three children: Robert D., born May 10, 1893; Laura, born Dec. 1, 1897; and Helen, born Mar. 11, 1900.

478. Lewis Banker married Anne ——— and came from Russia to America in 1871. He is a Jew. His children being sent to school in New York pronounced their name to the teacher,

who spelled it as it sounded, Banker, and the family have continued to use the name so spelled. How the name may have been originally spelled it is now impossible to tell. He had seven children: Joseph who is living on 179th St., New York; Abram, who lives in Chicago; Harry, who lives in Asbury Park; Sarah; Ida; Bertie; and Emma. The last four live in New York.

479. Markus Banker was born in Walzhut, Baden, Germany, Dec. 19, 1819. He married Walburga Strettmater and came to this country early. He was a shoemaker and lived at the time of his death at 819 Dudley St., Philadelphia. He died Jan. 6, 1894. He had nine children as follows: John, George, Frank, and Mary, who are all dead; Joseph B., born Dec. 18, 1858; Henry S., born Feb. 12, 1862; Markus T., born Jan. 28, 1872; Mary V., born June 18, 1876; and John, born July 17, 1878.

Joseph married, Jan. 18, 1883, a daughter of Alexander Barkley. He is a driver for the Knickerbocker Ice Co., and resides at 2002 St. Albans St., Philadelphia. So far as known, he has no children. Henry married M. Barkley. He works for the Pennsylvania Railroad and lives at 1504 South Colorado St., Philadelphia. Markus is single and lives at 117 Lombard St., Philadelphia. Mary is single and lives in Cape May Point. John married a Blakborn and lives in Gloucester, N. J.

480. Joseph Arthur Banker was born in Berlin, Germany, about 1856. He married Agnes Sylvia Snyder, who was born in Berlin about 1858. He afterward moved to this country and settled at Stevens Point, Wis., where he lived until 1892, and then moved to Chicago. He died in Chicago in July, 1898. His widow is now (1908) living at 8333 Baltimore Ave., South Chicago, Ill. Joseph had four children; Lillian, Sylvia, Harry, and Berdie. Lillian is a clerk and lives at 261 South Morgan St., Chicago.

George Victor Banker was born in Berlin, Germany, about 1858. He came to this country and is a farmer in Milwaukee, Wis. He is a brother of Joseph above.

481. John Banker married Martha Sherwood in the Dutch Reformed Church, New York, May 17, 1781.

482. ANNE BANCKER married John Boyer, mariner, of His Majesty's ship Tarrier. Their license was dated Jan. 15, 1752.

483. DRUSELLA BANKER married Nicholas Thorn Mar. 5, 1786, in the First Stanford Baptist Church at Bangall, Dutchess Co., N. Y.

484. RICHARD BANCKER married Mary Smith.* who was born July 17, 1750, the eldest child of John Smith and the only child of his first wife, Mary Smith, daughter of Judge William Smith and Mary Het. I have not been able to identify Richard.

485. PHILLIP BANCKER married Margaret Blain Moffat in the First Presbyterian Church, New York, Aug. 3, 1789.

486. HENRY BANKER was married to Anna Maybe Dec. 20, 1792, by the Rev. Silas Constant at Yorktown, N. Y.

487. MARGARET BANKER married Francis Daubcourt in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York, Nov. 14, 1795.

488. LEAH BANKER married John Stymets in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York, Jan. 14, 1797.

489. ——— BANKER was married to Phoebe Sherwood at Esq. Travis's, Peekskill, Dec. 23, 1798, by the Rev. Silas Constant.

490. GERARD BANCKER married Catharine Stagg in the Dutch Reformed Church, New York, Nov. 12, 1799.

491. MARY BANKER of Yorktown, N. Y., married Philip Van Cortlandt and had two sons: John, who married his cousin Catharine Ricketts, and had four sons, George W., Joseph, Stephen, and David; and William, who married Susan Chadeayne.

492. ABRAM BANCKER was buried in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York Dec. 15, 1773.

493. ELIZABETH BANCKER was buried in the Dutch Reformed Church of New York, May 18, 1800.

494. JOHN BANCKER had a sister, Zeriah, also known as Gaziah, unmarried, who died intestate in New York City in 1823.

495. GERARD BANCKER, a physician of New York City, died in 1848 leaving at least a widow, Sarah Ann.

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* For an interesting account of the relationships of Richard's wife see the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Vol. XI, p. 145.

496. ABRAM BANKER died in Albany, N. Y., Mar. 1, 1851, aged 54.

497. MARY BANCKER died intestate in New York City in 1857.

498. GEORGE W. BANCKER died in New York City intestate in 1852.

499. LEVI A. BANKER died intestate in New York City in 1866 and left at least a widow, Mary J.

500. THEODOSIA BANKER, of Morrisania, died in 1866. She makes mention in her will of a granddaughter, Theodosia Euphenia Maria Prior, wife of William Henry Prior, her sole legatee.

501. EVART A. BANCKER died intestate in New York City in 1871, leaving at least a widow, Cornelia.

502. THOMAS A. BANCKER died intestate in New York City in 1877, leaving at least a widow, Marie L.

503. CHRISTIAN BANKER died intestate in New York City in 1883 and left a widow, Caroline.

According to the first census of the United States taken in 1790 the following were heads of families in New York State, not previously mentioned in this work. The census gives the number of males and females in the family, but for various reasons these figures are not to be trusted as representing the man's actual immediate family. In the following list the number of males is to be understood as in addition to the head of the family.

Blakma Bancker lived in the North ward of New York City with a family of two males under sixteen years and one female.

Henry Bancker lived in the same ward with a family of one male over sixteen and three females.

Henry Baneker lived in Pawlingtown, Dutchess Co., with a family of one male under sixteen and one female.

Abraham Banker lived in the North ward of New York City with a family of two males under sixteen and five females.

Ann Banker lived in the Out ward of New York City with a family of one male under sixteen and three females besides herself.

Daniel Banker lived in Middletown, Ulster Co., with a family of one male under sixteen and one female.

Henry Banker lived in the Out ward of New York with a family of one male under sixteen and one female.

John Banker lived in Montgomery ward of New York with a family of four females.

John Banker lived in the South ward of New York with a family of one male over sixteen, one male under sixteen, and four females.

Nathaniel Banker lived in Pittstown, Rensselaer Co., with a family of four males under sixteen and two females.

Abraham Bonker lived in North Castle, Westchester Co., with a family of one male over sixteen and three females.

Daniel Bonker lived also in North Castle with a family of two males under sixteen and four females.

Henry Bonker lived in North Castle with a family of one male under sixteen and two females.

Matthew Bonker lived in North Castle with a family of two males over sixteen, three males under sixteen, and three females.

John Bonker lived in Bedford, Westchester Co., with a family of three males under sixteen and three females.

John Bonker lived in Yorktown, Westchester Co., with a family of three females.

David Bouker lived in Yorktown with a family of two females. It seems probable that his name was Banker.

Stephen Bonker lived in Fishkill, Dutchess Co., with a family of one female.

William Bonker lived in Mt. Pleasant, Westchester Co., with a family of two males under sixteen and two females.

The following item appeared in a recent periodical. It has not been possible to determine what member of the family experienced this thrilling adventure:

There was a young lady named Banker
Who slept while the ship lay at anchor.
She awoke in dismay
When she heard the mate say,
"Now hoist up the top sheet and spanker."

Ohe!
Jam satis est.—*Horace.*

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

The following are the principal sources of information from which this work has been compiled, with comments as to their value. This is not a list of all the sources examined, but only of those from which actual information has been obtained.

FAMILY RECORDS.

1. Family Bibles. These vary greatly in reliability and their value can be estimated only by the apearance of the record. They are too numerous to list, but some of the more important are mentioned in the text.
2. Oral Tradition, including the memory of those living. The trustworthiness of oral tradition varies inversely as the square of the distance and directly as the idiosyncracy of the narrator. A tradition which has come down through two or three generations is usually of little value in itself, but is frequently very suggestive of clues, which, followed up by more reliable methods, prove often fruitful in results. The memory of living persons, especially very old people, is one of the most valuable sources of information when properly used. Leading or suggestive questions should not be asked. The real object must be approached indirectly, leaving the memory free to follow its own lines of association. The writer has had some of his most thrilling experiences in such interviews and in two cases at least recovered the most important facts of relationship that were all but forgotten even by the aged one and in a few months would have been lost forever.
3. Correspondence. The value of this source of information is highly variable, depending on the character of the correspondent and his sources of information. One check on such information is the comparison of the report of several different correspondents on the same subject. A discouraging difficulty here is the fact that they so frequently disagree. Nevertheless the genealogist must depend very

largely on his correspondents for information concerning the later families.

4. Tombstone Records. These also vary greatly and need to be confirmed by other records where possible. The location of the more important ones is given in the text.

CHURCH RECORDS.

These are among the most valuable and reliable records we have. Errors sometimes occur but on the whole they are usually reliable. The Dutch were very particular about the baptism of their children and that rite was usually performed as soon as convenient after the birth of the child, sometimes within a few days, but, where the neighboring church received the ministrations of a pastor only at intervals of one, two, or three months, as was the case in the early days of the Sleepy Hollow Church, a much longer time necessarily intervened. The records of the early Dutch Reformed churches are especially full and complete, but in some cases the clerk evidently did not write for the special information of the future genealogist, while in other cases his records are all that one could desire.

5. Reformed Dutch Church of New York. This is one of the most complete and valuable church records that we have. The marriage records from 1639-1801 have been printed as Vol. 1 of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society's Collections. The record of baptisms for the same period has also been published in the volumes of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record.

6. Reformed Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow, now Tarrytown. The records have recently been published in a volume entitled "Sleepy Hollow Church Records," by Rev. David Cole.

7. Reformed Dutch Church of Brooklyn. The records have been published in the "Year Book of the Holland Society of New York" for 1897.

8. Reformed Dutch Church of Flatbush. The records have been published in the "Year Book of the Holland Society of New York" for 1898.

9. Reformed Dutch Church of Tappan. These records have been published in Cole's History of Rockland County. 1884.

10. Reformed Dutch Church of Hopewell, Dutchess Co. The original records are in possession of the pastor of the church, by whose permission they were consulted.

11. Reformed Dutch Church of Poughkeepsie. A manuscript copy of the records is in possession of the Holland Society of New York, where it was consulted by permission of the secretary.

12. Reformed Dutch Church of the Flats, near Nether Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co. A manuscript copy of the records in possession of the Holland Society of New York was consulted by permission of the secretary.

13. Reformed Dutch Church of New Hackensack, Dutchess Co. A manuscript copy of the records was consulted at the rooms of the Holland Society.

14. Reformed Dutch Church of Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co. A manuscript copy of the records was consulted at the rooms of the Holland Society.

15. Reformed Dutch Church of Kingston. The records of this church have been published by the Rev. Roswell R. Hoes. 1891.

16. Reformed Dutch Church of New Paltz, Ulster Co. The records have been published in the Collections of the Holland Society of New York. 1896.

17. Reformed Dutch Church of Hackensack, N. J. These have been published in the Collections of the Holland Society. 1891.

18. First and Second Presbyterian Churches of New York. These records have been published in the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record.

COUNTY RECORDS.

The most important of these are the records of the Surrogate's Courts and the records of deeds. For genealogical purposes citations are frequently more valuable than the wills. Deeds occasionally recite the family history for a generation. While

errors sometimes occur, these records are usually accurate and reliable, but too fragmentary as a rule to furnish more than important connecting links at times. Frequently they are invaluable for this purpose. The following records have been examined personally.

19. Albany County Records at Albany, N. Y. These records are among the oldest in the state.
20. Cayuga County Records at Auburn, N. Y. Although the records are not old, dating from about 1799, they are one of the most valuable collections that we have, as they contain many transfers of the claims of Revolutionary soldiers to the Military Lands.
21. Dutchess County Records at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. As one of the original counties of the state located in the main channel of the migratory movement from New York and Connecticut, the records often furnish unexpected clues.
22. Fulton County Records at Johnstown, N. Y. These records are of only local interest.
23. Greene County Records at Catskill, N. Y.
24. Monroe County Records at Rochester, N. Y.
25. Montgomery County Records at Fonda, N. Y. As this county was one of the first to be set off from Albany and at first and during the Revolutionary period included nearly all the country west of Albany, it possesses the records of the early settlers of the most of this region dating from about 1770.
26. New York County Records at New York City. Probably the most valuable of all our county records and containing many that would naturally be looked for in other counties.
27. Oneida County Records at Utica, N. Y.
28. Onondaga County Records at Syracuse, N. Y.
29. Orange County Records at Goshen, N. Y.
30. Putnam County Records at Carmel, N. Y.
31. Rensselaer County Records at Troy, N. Y.
32. Saratoga County Records at Ballston, N. Y.
33. Schenectady County Records at Schenectady, N. Y.

34. Ulster County Records at Kingston, N. Y. The records are very old, this being one of the original counties.

35. Wayne County Records at Lyons, N. Y.

36. Westchester County Records at White Plains, N. Y. One of the original counties.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICIAL RECORDS.

Most of these are thoroughly reliable and pertain to civil transactions or military service. Many of these are to be found in the state archives or are deposited in the State Library.

37. Town Records of Flatbush in the Brooklyn Hall of Records, Brooklyn, N. Y.

38. Wills and Settlements of Estates on file in the office of the clerk of the Court of Appeals, and of the Secretary of State, Albany.

39. Marriage Bonds given for marriage licenses issued by the Secretary of the Province of New York before 1784. These bonds are on file in the office of the Secretary of State in Albany, N. Y.

40. State Treasurer's List of Certificates issued in payment of various claims. This consists of ten manuscript volumes deposited in the State Library at Albany, N. Y. They contain many Revolutionary pay-rolls.

41. Records of the Comptroller's Office, Albany. These records contain many pay-rolls, receipts, and so forth for military service.

42. Records of the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. The records consist of pay-rolls, muster-rolls, and other statistical records of military service.

43. Records of the Pension Bureau, Washington, D. C. These frequently contain considerable information concerning the family of the pensioner as well as concerning his military service.

COLLECTIONS OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

These are various collections of miscellaneous records, many of which have been gathered from various sources by antiquarians and published. They are generally trustworthy.

44. ALBANY RECORDS. This is a miscellaneous lot of records pertaining to the history of Albany and vicinity, gathered together and published by Joel Munsell.

45. MANUAL OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF NEW YORK. An annual official publication of the New York Common Council. The volumes edited by D. T. Valentine contain much valuable historical matter.

46. NEW YORK STATE CIVIL LIST. An official publication of the civil officers of the State of New York, from the beginning of the colony to the present.

47. DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE COLONIAL HISTORY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. A collection of historical documents gathered by John R. Brodhead in London, Holland, and Paris, and published in ten immense quarto volumes, with a volume of index, by the authority of the New York State Legislature. The series contains also four similar additional volumes of American documents.

48. NEW YORK MUSTER ROLLS of the Colonial Wars, published in Collections of the New York Historical Society for 1891.

49. REGISTER OF EARLY SETTLERS OF KINGS COUNTY. This material is compiled from various documents of Kings county by Teunis G. Bergen.

50. NEW YORK MARRIAGES. "A list of names of persons for whom marriage licenses were issued by the Secretary of the Province of New York previous to 1784." The list is based on the marriage bonds on file in the Secretary of State's office at Albany.*

51. PASSENGER LISTS. Lists of immigrants arriving in New Netherlands by various vessels between 1657 and 1664. Published in the Holland Society Year Book for 1896.

52. WILLS OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY. A calendar of the early wills of Westchester county published by Wm. S. Pelletreau.

53. WILLS. "A calendar of wills on file and recorded in the offices of the clerk of the Court of Appeals, of the County Clerk at Albany, and of the Secretary of State." Compiled by Berthold Fernow.

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* See No. 39.

54. List of Burials in the Dutch Church of New York. The list is published in the Year Book of the Holland Society for 1899.

55. Council of Appointment: Military Records. Consists of minutes of appointments of militia officers.

56. Calendar of Historical Manuscripts in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N. Y. This work covers the Dutch manuscripts from 1630 to 1664.

57. Calendar of Historical Manuscripts in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N. Y. This work covers the English manuscripts from 1664 to 1776.

58. Calendar of Historical Manuscripts relating to the war of the Revolution, in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N. Y.

59. Annual Report of the State Historian of the State of New York. Colonial Series. Contains muster rolls of Colonial wars.

60. Calendar of New York Colonial Manuscripts. Indorsed Land Papers in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N. Y. 1643 to 1803.

61. Names of Dutch Settlers in Esopus. Published in the Holland Society Year Book for 1897.

62. Heads of Families at the first census of the United States taken in the year 1790. New York edition. Published by the United States government, 1908.

LOCAL HISTORIES.

Local histories are secondary sources of information. They have not, therefore, the value of original documents or primary sources. They are, however, invaluable as guides and frequently give information that can no longer be obtained anywhere else. Their reliability varies with the personality of the author and with the facilities which he may have had for accumulating original information.

63. History of Harlem. By James Riker. 1881. A valuable history, especially as the original documents are now lost.

64. ANNALS OF NEWTOWN, Queens County, N. Y. A history of the town and its vicinity from the first settlement. By James Riker. 1852.

65. ANNALS OF STATEN ISLAND, from its discovery to the present time. By J. J. Clute. 1877.

66. HISTORY OF PUTNAM COUNTY, N. Y., with biographical sketches of its prominent men. By William S. Pelletreau. 1886.

67. HISTORY OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY, N. Y. A history of the county from its first settlement to the present time carefully revised by the author. By Rev. Robert Bolton. 1881. I have found this work misleading.

68. HISTORY OF LAKE CHAMPLAIN from its first exploration by the French in 1609 to the close of the year 1814. By Peter S. Palmer. 1866.

69. MEMORIAL HISTORY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK from its first settlement to the year 1892. By J. G. Wilson. 1892-93.

70. HISTORY OF ORANGE COUNTY, N. Y., with illustrations and biographical sketches of many of its pioneers and prominent men. By E. M. Ruttenber and L. H. Clark. 1881.

71. HISTORY OF ROCKLAND COUNTY, N. Y., with biographical sketches of its prominent men. By David Cole. 1884. An especially valuable feature of this history is that it contains the baptismal registers of the Reformed Churches at Tappan and Clarkstown.

GENEALOGIES.

The same remarks apply to genealogies that were made in respect to local histories, except that the original sources of information are more frequently lost in the case of the former and the genealogy becomes, therefore, more valuable as the only source of information.

72. GENEALOGICAL NOTES from New York and New England families. By S. V. Talcott. 1883. So far as I can judge this is a trustworthy compilation by a careful worker.

73. GENEALOGY OF THE DE PEYSTER FAMILY. By John Watts De Peyster. 1854. This is a somewhat crude compilation, acknowledged by the author to be full of errors, yet valuable as the only source of information respecting some lines.

74. SCHENECTADY FAMILIES. Contributions for the genealogies of the descendants of the first settlers of the patent and city of Schenectady from 1662 to 1800. By Jonathan Pearson. 1873.

75. ALBANY FAMILIES. Contributions for the genealogies of the first settlers of the ancient county of Albany from 1630 to 1800. By Jonathan Pearson. 1872. Pearson was a careful historian and a thorough-going genealogist and his work is as reliable as a genealogy can be.

76. AMERICAN GENEALOGY, being the history of some of the early settlers in North America and their descendants from their first emigration to the present time. By Jerome B. Holgate. 1848. This is one of our standard genealogical works.

77. NEWCOMB FAMILY GENEALOGY. By John B. Newcomb. 1874. A well written work and on the whole as reliable as can be expected.

78. WHITNEY FAMILY OF CONNECTICUT. By S. W. Phoenix. 1878. A monumental work in three immense volumes, apparently trustworthy as to the American lines, but I understand that the author was victimized as to his European ancestry by a professional genealogist.

79. GENEALOGY OF THE DE VEAUX FAMILY. By Thomas F. DeVoe. 1885. This appears to be a fairly reliable and carefully prepared genealogy.

80. GENEALOGY OF THE BANCKER FAMILY, for about one hundred years. Revived by Adrian Bancker, 1838. This is a chart in the form of a tree. It shows the lines of descent of the first three generations of the descendants of Gerrit Bancker. It seems probable that the work is based on some older manuscript records, but evidently also in part on tradition. It contains numerous errors both in dates and names, yet is helpful in recovering the early records of the family and in a few lines is the only source of information that I know of. Only four copies are known to exist. I have had the privilege of examining this unique and curious work through the kindness of Mr. John Gribbel of Philadelphia. A reduced reproduction of this chart is given facing page 239.

81. THE DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM AND ELIZABETH TUTTLE. By George Frederick Tuttle. 1883. A good, trustworthy genealogy.

82. THE VAUGHAN FAMILY. Some statements as to the ancestry of the Vaughan family as well as some of their descendants. Written by Nathan A. Vaughan. Copied by Miss Rebecca Vaughn. 1904. A little booklet of about 26 pages consisting chiefly of the reminiscences of Mr. Vaughan.

MISCELLANEOUS.

These are in part historical and genealogical magazines whose notes and articles have usually co-ordinate value with local histories and genealogies, but frequently are of greater value as being literal transcripts of original documents. The rest are histories and genealogical works of various character.

83. PENNSYLVANIA MAGAZINE OF HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY.

84. NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD. A work of the greatest value for the genealogist of New York families.

85. NEWSPAPERS. The obituaries and other notices contained in the news press are often helpful but are comparatively a recent factor in genealogical research.

86. AMERICAN BOOK PLATES. By Charles Dexter Allen. 1894. This describes in detail five Bancker book-plates and reproduces one.

87. GESCHIEDENIS VAN HET NEDERLANDSCHE ZEEWEZEN. By J. C. De Jonge. A history of the Dutch navy. It contains a considerable account of the Van Trappen family who assumed the name Banckert.

88. BIOGRAPHISCH WOORDENBOEK DER NEDERLANDEN.

89. ARMORIAL GENERAL precede d'un Dictionnaire des Termes du Blason. By J. B. Rietstap. 1884.

90. JOURNAL OF REV. SILAS CONSTANT, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Yorktown, N. Y., with some of the records of the church and a list of his marriages. 1784 to 1825, together with notes on the Nelson, Van Cortland, Warren, and some other families mentioned in the Journal. By Emily W. Roebling. 1903.

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